



- 1: Understand the logic of injustice in the form of discrimination/exclusion by states and its implications.
- 2: Have an understanding of the historical background of injustice in the world.
- 3: Learn to engage in educated discourse on the conflicts between state security/economy and issues related to justice in its historical backdrop.

### **Graduate PLOs**

- 1: Creating assignments that are engaging, meaningful, and challenging.
- 2: Providing students meaningful and relatively quick feedback.
- 3: Having high expectations for writing assignments.
- 4: Offering an academic experience that involves meaningful engagement with the professor and among the students to build an online community.

### **Required Texts/Readings (Required)**

#### **Textbook**

1. Hassan Abbas (2015) *The Taliban Revival: Violence and Extremism on Pakistan-Afghanistan Frontier*. CT: Yale University Press.
2. Sumantra Bose (2003) *Kashmir: Roots of Conflict, Paths to Peace*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.
3. Anuradha M. Chenoy and Kamal A. Mitra Chenoy (2010) *Maoist and Other Armed Conflicts*. Penguin Books.
4. Ahmed Rashid. 2010. *Taliban: Militant Islam, Oil and Fundamentalism in Central Asia*. CT: Yale University Press.

#### **Other Readings**

Other required readings will be posted on Canvas. The readings are subject to change by instructor.

### **Course Requirements and Assignments (Required)**

**Five Critique papers: In five different weeks**, you should prepare a four/five-assigned article. Critiques must be typed, double-spaced, and in a font size no smaller than 11. Critiques are required to be uploaded online through Canvas. **I will evaluate your critiques for critical content. Works that merely summarize the readings will receive poor marks.** When writing your critique, keep in mind the following points: what are the important claims made by the author? What has the author really shown? What are the strength and weakness of the arguments? What are the possibilities for related research? What interesting questions (at least three) can we ask to the author? I will not accept any critiques after the deadline.

#### **Book Review:**

Taliban: Militant Islam, Oil and  
The book review is due on **May 4**

research paper should include among others a research question, literature review, theory and hypothesis/hypotheses. Students will present their research papers on May 7. The final draft paper is due on **Monday, May 13.**





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