

Critical Geopolitics

The course will give knowledge and solid understanding of various geopolitical schools of thought in a critical perspective will introduce students. The students will analyze world politics in the XXth century through the geopolitical perspective. By the end of this course the students will learn the basic tents of the geopolitical schools and critically interpret main theories and concepts, evaluate the XX century history through the geopolitical lens and compare various interpretations of contemporary issues. The course will include the following topics:

- The origins of geopolitics.
- Social Darwinism in geopolitics.
- Realism and neo-realism in geopolitics: geographical determinism and revisionism.
- Liberalism and neoliberalism in geopolitics: geographical posibilism.
- Postmodernism in geopolitics.

Russian geopolitical thought.