



University of Oxford

Department of International Development

MSc in Global Governance and Diplomacy



GGD Plenary Lectures

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Michaelmas Term 2016 and Hilary Term 2017

The GGD Plenary Lectures present issues of general concern to students of the MSc in Global Governance and Diplomacy, including but not limited to “big issues” about world politics, and research-led presentations. Although the exact format is at the discretion of the lecturer, the typical arrangement is a one-hour lecture by a GGD staff member followed by another half hour or so of debate.

While attendance is voluntary, the Plenary Lectures are important events for the GGD student community and so there is a strong expectation that everyone will attend every lecture. Although (or precisely because) there is no examination tied to the lectures, they should be one of the most appealing -- and intellectually stimulating -- parts of the degree. In some cases, there will be an opportunity afterwards to have a stroll or visit a pub together with the lecturer.

Michaelmas Term, Weeks 1-6: Fridays 15:30-17:30, Seminar Room 1

October 14	John Gledhill	Research and Writing: A ‘How to’ Guide
October 21	Tristen Naylor	Making The World: Performance and Practices in Constructing International Society
October 28	John Gledhill	Studying Peace and Studying Conflict: Complementary or Competing Projects?
November 4	Joerg Friedrichs	An Intercultural Theory of International Relations
November 11	Ivan Manokha	The Use of Adam Smith’s ‘Invisible Hand’ in Modern Economics
November 18	Ivan Manokha	New Methods of Employee Surveillance

Hilary Term, Weeks 1-6: Fridays 15:30-17:30, Seminar Room 1 (TBC)

January 20	Corneliu Bjola	The Ethics of Digital Diplomacy
January 27	John Gledhill	The Dissolution of State Capacity and Violent Conflict
February 3	Adeel Malik	Toward a New Regional Trading Order in the Middle East
February 10	Tristen Naylor	Social Anxieties: Status Seeking in International Politics
February 17	Ivan Manokha	Why Does the Discipline of Economics Hide Its Intellectual History?
February 24	Tristen Naylor	Under Pressure: Cognition in High-Stress Decision Making