Study Guide- Exam 2

Exam 2 is the same format as the first exam. You will not do well on this exam if you just memorize concepts or lists without understanding why they are significant.

When studying, focus on how the issues are interrelated, the significance of concepts and events, and the way we connected the reading/video discussions to the course concepts. If you didn't read the articles/ watch the videos along the way, I highly suggest you do this before the exam.

International Law (IL)

- How the Western-based roots of IL hinder addressing global issues
- How Eastern philosophy results in a different approach to international law
- How IL is created
- The reasons IL is considered primitive, especially in contrast to how domestic laws are made
- Why and when countries are more or less likely to adhere to IL
 - Think about the film and articles we discussed and how they relate to the above issues with creating IL, countries' willingness to obey (or not), and reasons why issues are more or less likely to get states' support

The Environment

- * You don't need to memorize the statistics I gave you about the environment. Focus instead on understanding the impact of these activities.
- The history behind international attention to environmental issues
- What the collective good is and why it is a transnational issue
 - How the articles we discussed demonstrate that conservation is a multifaceted issue, involving not only environmental aspects, but also economic and international law facets
- How the articles we discussed are connected to other issues we discussed during the semester- human security, transnational issues, global economy, etc.
- How supply and demand are directly tied to environmental issues
- The causes of environmental issues and the challenges of addressing environmental problems
- The role, influence, and impact of states, NGOs, IGOs, MNCs, and individuals on the environment
- How human security is directly connected to environmental issues
- The challenges we, as humans face, in addressing environmental concerns
 - How the articles/videos we discussed demonstrate these challenges
- The biggest sources of pressure on climate change and challenges in dealing with them
- What the future looks like for the global environment

Security & Cooperation

- How and why weapons, transnational crime, and terrorism are global threats
 - Think about the many examples we discussed regarding why these are transnational issues, the challenges in combatting these threats, the sources of these threats, who's affected by these threats
 - The different types of terrorism
- What sanctions are, what's important to know about them, and what the challenges are of implementing and/or relying on sanctions
- How the articles we discussed are linked to all of the above global threats
- The causes of conflict and attempts to address threats through collective security

Diplomacy & Negotiation

- Who's involved in diplomacy, what motivates states' relations, what affects the amount of bargaining power states have
 - Think about what we discussed with OPEC
- Different negotiating environments and how are they connected to various issues we've discussed
 - Understand the different negotiation environments and examples from Exercise 2 and class discussion
- The difference between bilateral v. multilateral security pacts
- What *intermestic* are and how they connect to states pursuing their self-interests

Human Security & Development

- Recognize the shift in focus over time from military to personal security
- Understand the difference between tangible and intangible types of security
- Consider how the articles/videos we discussed relate to human security issues
- Think about how limited job opportunities connect to GS countries' human security struggles
 - Consider the consequences of insecurity that result and how these human security issues connect to the various conflict issues we discussed
- How human security is directly connected to environmental issues