

# Essay Requirements

Course: Religion, Politics, and Security in International Relations

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1. Papers should not exceed 2000 words.
2. Font is Times New Roman, size 12, double-spaced, no first line.
3. Please, use references instead of footnotes and endnotes.
4. References style is APA 7<sup>th</sup> ed.
5. Title page should include your:
  - a. Title of the topic
  - b. Name
  - c. Home Institution/Affiliation
  - d. Date
6. Structure
  - a. Introduction. Introduction should include the research question of your essay, a short and well-defined thesis to answer the question, and your motivation for choosing the topic.
  - b. Body. Body should contain a few paragraphs that introduce your arguments. Arguments are the whole branch of: used literature and authors, objective empirical facts, and academic evidence (research and studies if applicable).
  - c. Conclusion. In this section, you should summarize your arguments and how they prove the working thesis.