


PSCI 2500 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS  
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Today

- A word on "driverless," "G-0," and anarchy.
- Current events Wednesday: South Africa
- Exams returned later in the hour.

Returning to the Video from Monday

- Bremmer: we live in a G-0, "driverless world" (these are his terms).
- Anarchy: he agrees.
- But anarchy can co-exist with multipolarity, bipolarity, and unipolarity.



Returning to the Video from Monday

- "Driverless" means no one country has sufficient power to guide global decisions.
  - In the past, the US had outsized influence. "Globalization was Americanization."
- There are still more powerful and less powerful states in the world.



Exams

- Perfect score: 100
  - Multiple choice: 60%
  - Short answer: 24%
  - Essay: 16%
- What if I did poorly?
  - Figure out why.

Possible Reasons for Poor Performance

- The most common reasons:
  - Didn't do the reading.
    - Looking through the chapters searching for quiz answers is not the same as reading.
  - Didn't understand some material.
    - Davis and I had **one** student each in office hours asking questions.
  - Missed classes.
    - Your attendance record is on elearning.

### Possible Reasons for Poor Performance

- The most common reasons:
  - Didn't study enough (or at all).
  - Example of the latter:
    - Exam question:
- 4. List three grievances that Russia has against the US.
  - From the study guide:
- What are the grievances that the US and Russia have against each other?
  - On the Notes page:
    - Current Events Wednesday: Russia and the US

6 slides!

### Should I Drop If I Got a Low Grade?

- Note: the lowest scores were in the short-answer section of the exam.

### Exams

- Grading scale:
  - A 94–100
  - BA 88–93
  - B 83–87
  - CB 78–82
  - C 73–77
  - DC 68–72
  - D 60–67
  - E <60

### Should I Drop If I Got a Low Grade?


- If you didn't read, will you start now?
  - If no, then maybe drop.
  - If yes, then don't.

### Should I Drop If I Got a Low Grade?

- If you didn't understand some material, will you use office hours (or email) to discuss such material next time?
  - If no, then maybe drop.
  - If yes, then don't.


### Should I Drop If I Got a Low Grade?

- If you didn't study – including using the study guide – will you next time?
  - If not, maybe drop.
  - If yes, don't.



Should I Drop If I Got a Low Grade?

- If your attendance was weak, will you stop missing classes?
  - If no, maybe drop.
  - If yes, don't.



Should I Drop If I Got a Low Grade?

- If you got a low grade, I'd rather see you determine why, then take measures to rectify it rather than drop.
- FYI: last day to withdraw is March 18.