

Week 4

· Politics Among the Nations
→ Morgan Thaw

· Politics → war , IR → peace time

Realism

"The world as it is not it ought to be"
Realism Idealism

- State → principal actors
- Realism → conflict is the dominant theme → due to human nature and this determines state's future
→ aggression → desire for power
- Power oriented theory
- Dominant / Anarchy
- Self Help / No world govt / No police force to finish / for survival self help
- Weaponisation → realists say power should be relative

Classic & Modern] Types of realists

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| · Macheveli | Classic | |
| → The Prince | | |
| · Physidides | (Classic) | |
| · Thomas Hobbes | | |
| · Twenty Years of Crisis → EH Carr | | Modern |

• 6 principles of Morgan Thau

- Aggressive Human nature
- Power maximisation of state relatively
- National Interest → supreme factor
- statism/state → supreme factor
- No morality
- Autonomous decisions of states

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- State
- Self-help
- Survival

• Criticism on realism

- Extreme position of realists
- Rejection of european model
- No cooperation
- World Anarchic view
- Competition, jealousy, rivalry