



CTY SUMMER PROGRAM FINAL EVALUATION

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Course: Global Politics: Human Rights and Justice

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Congratulations, Yaj, on successfully completing Global Politics: Human Rights and Justice!

Overall Performance

Your overall performance in the class was fantastic. You demonstrated a thorough understanding of all the concepts presented. Your participation was frequent and valuable.

Content Proficiency

You consistently demonstrated a deep understanding of the core concepts and material presented in class. Through activities such as "Q&R" and "Group Presentations," you clearly showed your proficiency with the scholarly and professional materials covered. For example, when discussing the Russia-Ukraine war with the theories of international relations, your commentary provided a detailed and well-structured analysis of the war through the lens of three major theories. The theoretical perspectives were effectively applied, which highlighted the contrasts among the theories. Also, when you discussed the principle of 'Common But Differentiated Responsibilities' (CBDR) in the short essay questions, it truly showed how deeply you understood the norm by providing examples of how it is formalized in the specific laws of climate change such as UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol.

Critical Reasoning

You excelled at making connections between theoretical concepts and real-life scenarios. For instance, at the CTY Global Politics Symposium, your presentation on the impact of USSR collapse effectively conveyed your arguments about political changes in Europe associated with the fall of communism by projecting your voice, using pertinent graphics, and going beyond what was written on the slides. It resonated strongly with the audience. Additionally, your insights into the US patent system and neglected diseases, highlighting how these contribute to pharmaceutical companies' oligopoly and price control, provided powerful examples during our exploration of technology justice..

Collaboration and Participation

Though initially reserved during whole class discussions, you found your voice and became an important contributor and provided strong support for your peers. For instance, when planning a peace event as an example of using art and culture as soft power, your leadership was excellent in sharing the workload among group members and presenting the poster. In every class discussion, you showed remarkable leadership by actively listening to perspectives, posing insightful questions, and presenting a well-organized summary of the materials.

Suggestions and Recommendations

You excelled in the context we studied. I suggest that you continue to explore the interactive relationship between human rights and justice in global politics during your post-secondary education. Given your interest, consider reading foundational authors such as E.H. Carr, Hans Morgenthau, etc.

Yaj, it was a great joy having you in class. Gillian and I wish you the best of luck in the future.



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Yaj Parameswaran

has successfully completed the course

Global Politics: Human Rights and Justice

in Academic Year 2023-24

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Amy Lynne Shelton".

Amy Lynne Shelton, PhD, *Executive Director*