

Civil War - Syllabus

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1 Introduction

Course Schedule

January 13: Greetings and introductions

No assigned readings

January 15: Defining civil war

Paul Collier and Anke Hoeffler. 2007. "Civil War." In *Handbook of Defense Economics, Vol. 2*, ed. Todd Sandler and Keith Hartley. p. 711-740. Oxford: Elsevier, North-Holland.

January 20: NO CLASS (MLK Day)

January 22: NO CLASS (Snow Day)

January 27: Types of Civil Wars Halvard Buhaug. 2006. "Relative Capability and Rebel Objective in Civil War." *Journal of Peace Research*. 43(6):691-708.

January 29: Civil war onset I Paul Collier and Anke Hoeffler. 2004. "Greed and Grievance in Civil War." *Oxford Economic Papers* 56(4):563-595.

February 3: Civil war onset II James D. Fearon and David D. Laitin. 2003. "Ethnicity, Insurgency, and Civil War." *American Political Science Review* 97(1):75-90.

February 5: Regime types and civil war Havard Hegre et al. 2001. "Toward a Democratic Civil Peace?: Democracy, Political Change, and Civil War, 1816-1992." *American Political Science Review* 95(1):33-48.

SHORT PAPER #1 DUE AT 11:59 PM ON Feb. 7

February 10: Ethnicity and civil war Nicholas Sambanis. 2001. "Do Ethnic and Nonethnic Civil Wars Have the Same Causes?" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 45(3): 259-282.

February 12: Civil war onset III Havard Hegre and Nicholas Sambanis. 2006. "Sensitivity Analysis of Empirical Results on Civil War Onset." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 50(4):508-535.

February 17: Civil war duration I & II Paul Collier, Anke Hoeffler, and Mans Soderbom. 2004. "On the Duration of Civil War." *Journal of Peace Research* 41(3): 253-273.

David Cunningham. 2006. "Veto Players and Civil War Duration." *American Journal of Political Science* 50(4):875-892.

February 19: Civil war severity I Bethany Lacina. 2006. "Explaining the Severity of Civil Wars." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 50(2):276-289.

February 24: Civil war severity II Benjamin Valentino, Paul Huth, and Dylan Balch-Lindsay. 2004. "Draining the Sea: Mass Killing and Guerrilla Warfare." *International Organization* 58(Spring):365-407.

February 26: Civil war termination I Karl R. DeRouen, Jr. and David Sobek. 2004. "The Dynamics of Civil War Duration and Outcome." *Journal of Peace Research* 41(3): 303-320.

March 3-5: NO CLASS: Mardi Gras

March 10: MIDTERM REVIEW

March 12: MIDTERM EXAM

March 17: Civil war termination II Barbara Walter. 1997. "The Critical Barrier to Civil War Settlement." *International Organization* 51(3):335-364.

March 19: Noncombatant (civilian) agency in civil war Corinna Jentsch and Juan Masullo. 2022. "Violent or non-violent action? Wartime civilian resistance in Colombia and Mozambique." *Political Geography* 99.

SHORT PAPER #2 DUE AT 11:59 PM ON March. 21

March 24: International dimensions of civil war I Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, Idean Salehyan, and Kenneth Schultz. 2008. "Fighting at Home, Fighting Abroad: How Civil Wars Lead to International Disputes." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 52(4).

March 26: International dimensions of civil war II Idean Salehyan and Kristian Skrede Gleditsch. 2006. "Refugees and the Spread of Civil War." *International Organization* 60(2):335-366.

March 31 & April 2: NO CLASS: Spring Break

April 7: Civil war recurrence I J. Michael Quinn, T. David Mason, and Mehmet Gurses. 2007. "Sustaining the Peace: Determinants of Civil War Recurrence." *International Interactions* 33 (2): 167-193.

April 9: Civil war recurrence II Barbara F. Walter. 2004. "Does conflict beget conflict? Explaining recurring civil war." *Journal of peace research* 41(3).

SHORT PAPER #3 DUE AT 11:59 PM ON April. 9

April 14: Interventions I Virginia Page Fortna. 2004. "Does Peacekeeping Keep Peace?: International Intervention and the Duration of Peace after Civil War." *International Studies Quarterly* 48:269-292.

April 16: Interventions II Hultman, Lisa, Jacob Kathman, and Megan Shannon. 2013. "United Nations peacekeeping and civilian protection in civil war." *American Journal of Political Science* 57(4).

April 21: Who Rebels?

Weinstein, Jeremy M. 2005. "Resources and the Information Problem in Rebel Recruitment." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 49(4): 598-624.

April 23: Rebel governance in civil wars Stewart, Megan A. 2018. "Civil

war as state-making: Strategic governance in civil war.” *International Organization* 72(1).

April 28: Natural resources and civil war I Paiva Lujala, Nils Petter Gleditsch, and Elisabeth Gilmore. 2005. “A Diamond Curse? Civil War and a Lootable Resource.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 49(4): 538-562.

April 30: TBD TBD

May 5 & 7: NO CLASS (Finals Week) We will not have a final exam; please use the final paper to demonstrate your culmination of knowledge about civil wars throughout the semester – applied to your chosen conflict.

FINAL PAPERS DUE TUESDAY, May 6th BY 11:59 PM.

Note: This is to give me adequate time to grade before final grades are due. If this conflicts with your finals schedule - please get in touch and we can make other arrangements.