

# Constructivism

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The following is material to consider for your syllabus. Specifically, there is:

- 1 Scholarly writing on constructivism written by diverse scholars and experts
- 2 Scholarly writing providing geographic variety and geographically varied perspectives
- 3 Studies and analyses examining diversity, equity and inclusion-related dimensions of constructivism

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## DISCUSSIONS OF THEORY

[Bukovansky, Mlada. "American identity and neutral rights from independence to the War of 1812." \*International Organization\* 51.02 \(1997\): 209-243.](#)

Key words: neutrality, constructivism, foreign policy continuity, war, group identity, mercantilism, commerce, treaties, navies, international trade

["Constructivism." Jennifer Sterling-Folker and Dina Badie. \(2011\). In \*The Routledge Handbook of American Foreign Policy\*. Steven Hook and Christopher Jones, eds. London: Routledge.](#)

Key words: end of the Cold War, post 9/11 and the global war on terrorism, American economic and "soft power" primacy, foreign policy development

[Dixon, Jennifer M. "Rhetorical adaptation and resistance to international norms." \*Perspectives on Politics\* 15.1 \(2017\): 83-99.](#)

Key words: states' responses to international norms, rhetorical adaptation

[Finnemore, Martha and Kathryn Sikkink. "International Norms and Political Change." International Organization, Vol. 52, No. 4 \(1998\): 887-917.](#)

Key words: International Organization, the relationship between norms and rationality

[Finnemore, Martha and Kathryn Sikkink. "Taking stock: the constructivist research program in international relations and comparative politics." Annual Review of Political Science 4.1 \(2001\)](#)

Key words: constructivism, ideas, identity, norms, culture, beliefs

[Jurkovich, Michelle. "What Isn't a Norm? Redefining the Conceptual Boundaries of "Norms" in the Human Rights Literature." International Studies Review \(2019\).](#)

Key words: norms, human rights, law, international relations, constructivism, discourse, economic and social rights

[Keck, Margaret E., and Kathryn Sikkink. Activists beyond borders: Advocacy networks in international politics. Cornell University Press, 2014.](#)

Key words: transnational advocacy networks and international politics, modern advocacy networks, human rights advocacy networks, environmental advocacy networks

[Klotz, Audie, and Cecelia Lynch. Strategies for research in constructivist international relations. ME Sharpe, 2007.](#)

Key words: constructivism, applying the constructivist approach in research

[Mitzen, Jennifer. "Ontological security in world politics: State identity and the security dilemma." European Journal of international relations 12.3 \(2006\): 341-370.](#)

Key words: attachment, intractable conflict, ontological security, routines, security dilemma, uncertainty

[Smith, Jackie, Charles Chatfield, and Ron Pagnucco. Transnational social movements and global politics: Solidarity beyond the state. Syracuse University Press, 1997.](#)

Key words: emerging global civil society, transnational social movements, international political institutions

[Stroup, Sarah S. Borders among Activists: International NGOs in the United States, Britain, and France. Cornell University Press, 2012.](#)

Key words: international nongovernmental organizations, varieties of activism

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## REGION-SPECIFIC DISCUSSIONS OF CONSTRUCTIVISM

[Fierke, Karin M. "Multiple Identities, Interfacing Games: The social construction of Western action in Bosnia." \*European Journal of International Relations\* 2.4 \(1996\): 467-497.](#)

Key words: Western major powers, 1990-91 Gulf War against Saddam Hussein, 1992-95 Bosnia-Herzegovina conflict

[Goddard, Stacie E. "When Right Makes Might: how Prussia overturned the European balance of power." \*International Security\* 33.3 \(2009\): 110-142.](#)

Key words: duchies, treaties, war, Germanicism, international cooperation

[Kim, Hun Joon. "The prospects of human rights in US–China relations: a constructivist understanding." \*International Relations of the Asia-Pacific\* 20.1 \(2020\): 91-118.](#)

Key words: US-China relations, human rights, power politics, constructivist norm theories

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## INTERSECTIONS: DEI & CONSTRUCTIVISM

[Kardam, Nüket. "The emerging global gender equality regime from neoliberal and constructivist perspectives in international relations." \*International Feminist Journal of Politics\* 6.1 \(2004\): 85-109.](#)

Key words: global gender equality regime, global women's networks, gender equality norms, constructivism and gender, neoliberal approach in international relations and gender

[Birgit Locher, Elisabeth Prügl, \*Feminism and Constructivism: Worlds Apart or Sharing the Middle Ground?\*, \*International Studies Quarterly\*, Volume 45, Issue 1, March 2001, Pages 111–129,](#)

Key words: feminism in international relations, feminist constructivism

[Burton, Paul J. "Culture and Constructivism in International Relations." \*The International History Review\* 32.1 \(2010\): 89-97.](#)

Key words: cultural theory of international relations, drivers of human action, states' motivations

[Hansen, Lene. "The Little Mermaid's Silent Security Dilemma and the Absence of Gender in the Copenhagen School." \*Millennium-Journal of International Studies\* 29 \(2000\): 285-306.](#)

Key words: security analysis, the silent subject, security dilemma, speech and security

[Klotz, Audie. "Norms reconstituting interests: global racial equality and US sanctions against South Africa." \*International Organization\* 49.03 \(1995\): 451-478.](#)

Key words: economic sanctions, racial equality, apartheid, anti apartheid movements, conservatism, democracy, international cooperation, civil rights movements, political debate

[Kingsbury, Benedict. "'Indigenous peoples' in international law: A constructivist approach to the Asian controversy." \*American Journal of International Law\* \(1998\): 414-457.](#)

Key words: indigenusness, constructivist approach, 'indigenous peoples'