

**World Futures
Schedule Spring 2018**

Please note that the schedule and requirements sometimes change as the semester progresses. The “official” requirements are on the intro page each week on Canvas.

The first column contains the date for class each week. The second column contains the substantive topic for the week. The first week is devoted to orientation to the class; the second week to the futures tools that will form the backbone for most of the activities and assignments. From the third to the twelfth week, the class will review the future of one of the STEEP+ categories. In week 13 we’ll do a class on wildcards and for weeks 14 and 15 we do class presentations.

The text-based readings for those topics are listed in the third column. Other required or recommended readings will be included on the website as we go along. The week officially begins the day of class, but the readings should be read before class.

The fourth column contains what will be submitted each. Since the week begins with the class on the date in the first column, the submissions are due at midnight of the day before the next class. (D) is a discussion posting, and (A) is an assignment posting.

<i>Week and Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Reading</i> <i>(review before this week’s class)</i>	<i>Submission</i> <i>(due evening before the next class)</i>
Week 1 Jan 18	Introduction, orientation		(D) Getting to Know Each Other (D) World 2025 (D) Domain Topic Choice
Week 2 Jan 25	Framework Project Scanning Review Archetype Technique	See intro page	(A) Domain Description (A) Diigo Scanning Library (due March 7 th)
Week 3 Feb 1	Demography The Immortality Game	See intro page	(D) Reflections on Population (A) Current Assessment
Week 4 Feb 8	Environment & Resources	Coates - ch 5, 7, 13 Additional readings on intro page	(D) Energy Quiz (D) Environment in State of Emergency? (A) Stakeholder Plans
Week 5 Feb 15	Technology – information Arup Drivers of Change	Coates - ch 3 Additional readings on intro page	(D) W5 Information Technology Pin Board (D) Drivers of Change (A) Trends

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Week 6 Feb 22	Technology – biotechnology, nanotechnology	Coates - ch 4, 6	(D) Stages of Tech Development (A) Diigo Scanning Library (due Mar 7)
Week 7 Mar 1	Economics & globalization GBN 2x2 Approach	Coates - ch 16 Additional readings on intro page	(D) Is Capitalism Up to the Task? (A) 2x2 GBN Scenario (due Mar 21)
Week 8 Mar 8	Geopolitics Game: Governance for the Future: An Inventor's Toolkit	Coates – ch 8 Additional readings on intro page	(D) Reflection on Politics
Mar 15	Spring Break		
Week 10 Mar 22	Education & Work	Readings on intro page	(A) 3 rd Order Impacts
Week 11 Mar 29	Social life (values, generations)	Coates - ch 15 Additional readings on intro page	(D) New Dimensions Values Assessment (A) Client Pitch (due April 11)
Week 12 Apr 5	Space		
Week 13 Apr 12	Wildcards World Game	None	D) Wildcard Ranking (A) Book presentation
Week 14 Apr 19	Book presentations	None	(A) Archetype presentation
Week 15 Apr 26	Group Archetype Presentations		
May 7	Final deadline for all work		