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From Plato to John Rawls, *justice* has been a major theme in the history of political theory. But until the 1970s it was thought to be concerned only with the relations of co-citizens within a single state. The modern debates about *global justice* began with the questioning of this assumption: why shouldn't justice focus on the relations of citizens of different states or relations between human beings regardless of citizenship? This political theory course surveys several topics in the modern global justice debates, including the idea of justice in international relations, global poverty, global inequality, nationalism and cosmopolitanism, moral universalism and cultural relativism, global gender justice, immigration, trade, the distribution of natural resources, and climate change.