

# Pandemics & International Relations - Emel Akçalı



**“By the end of this lecture you will have...**

An understanding of what pandemics are, their history, and what challenges they bring

- In particular, to global politics

An appreciation of the range of actors in play

- States, International Organisations, European Union, NGOs ‘big pharma’, individuals

A scrutiny of recent case studies; Ebola, SARS, Covid-19

- How have we dealt with Pandemics thus far and what do these cases tell us about global governance and the course of international relations?

An evaluation of the current global politics and the possible future under *lockdown*. “

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