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Course Literature

Theme 1: Global Propaganda in the Age of Internet and Social-media: A critical issue for global governance

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Theme 2: AI, ethics and sustainability issues

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Theme 3: Russian-Ukrainian war, global food security and energy crisis

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