



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY, POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS PROGRAMME

***INTP 346: International Politics of Development
20 POINTS***

TRIMESTER 1 2016

Key dates

Trimester dates: 29 February to 29 June 2016

Teaching dates: 29 February to 5 June 2016

Easter break: 24–30 March 2016

Mid-trimester break: 25 April to 1 May 2016

Study period: 6–9 June 2016

Examination/Assessment Period: 10–29 June 2016

Note: students who enrol in courses with examinations must be able to attend an examination at the University at any time during the scheduled examination period.

Withdrawal dates: Refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/withdrawals-refunds.

If you cannot complete an assignment or sit a test in the last three weeks of teaching, or an examination, it may instead be possible to apply for an aegrotat (refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats).

Class times and locations

Lectures: Friday 2:10-4:00pm, Hugh Mackenzie LT 104, Kelburn Campus

Tutorials: Tuesday 2:10-3:00pm, Maclaurin LT101, Kelburn Campus

Course coordinator and contact details

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Communication of additional information

This course uses Blackboard as an important platform not only for communication of additional information but also for the conduct of the course (full information and instructions on course content, schedule and timetable, assignment requirements, submission and marking, course materials). All students in this course must have valid myvuw.ac.nz addresses. Please check that this account is active and make sure your email address on Blackboard is up to date.

Prescription

This course examines the international politics of modern economic development. Why have some countries/regions developed better than others? Does their political economic model matter? Does the structure of international political economy matter? The course explores the mutual effects of the structure of international political economy, and national and regional economic development.

Course learning objectives (CLOs)

The purpose of this course is to help students to develop an understanding of international politics of development and gain knowledge and skills for effective analysis and explanation of issues and problems in this subject area.

Students who pass this course should be able to:

1. have a good grasp of the concept of international political economy of development;
2. compare, contrast and explain major experiences of modern economic development;
3. develop policy position on key issues and problems in international political economy;
4. think critically about theories and perspectives of the international system and modern economic development.

Teaching format

The course is taught in weekly two-hour lectures over one trimester, plus one-hour weekly tutorials. Attendance and participation in weekly lectures is essential. Each section will include lecturing and class discussion. Students are expected to take part in class discussion, have completed the readings prior to class. Tutorials are sessions for further discussion of the lectures and readings, informal group activities on key themes of the course, and workshops on assignments.

Workload

In accordance with Faculty Guidelines, this course has been constructed on the assumption that students will devote 200 hours to the course throughout the trimester. This includes weekly attendance at lectures and tutorials, completion of all set weekly readings, and research and writing for set assessment tasks.

Component	Hours
Lectures, Tutorials and Test	36
Pre-Class Reading and Preparation	40
Policy Brief	35
Research Paper	55
Test Review	34
Total	200

Assessment

Assessment items	Weight in Final Grade (%)	CLO(s)	Due date
Position paper (about 1,500 words)	25	1,3	8 April
Research paper (about 2,500 words)	35	1,2,3,5	15 May
Final Examination (2 Hours)	40	1,2,3	Examination Period
Total	100		

Detailed requirements and instructions for assignments will be available on Blackboard.

Submission and return of work

Assignments are to be submitted on Blackboard. Instructions on how to submit your assignments are provided on Blackboard. Marked assignments will be returned to you also on Blackboard.

Extensions and penalties

Extensions

The development of work discipline and time management skills are an important part of the education process and it is expected that each student takes responsibility for allocating sufficient time for their studies.

Late submission of **assignments will not be accepted** unless the student makes an appointment as soon as practically possible with the course coordinator to explain the lateness (preferably before the assignment is due to be submitted). The circumstances under which an extension will be considered are outlined in section 3.2.1 of the Assessment Handbook.

(See: www.victoria.ac.nz/documents/policy/staff-policy/assessment-handbook.pdf).

Penalties

Students will be penalised for late submission of assignments – **a deduction of 5% for the first day late, and 2% per day thereafter, up to a maximum of 8 days**. Penalties may be waived if there are valid grounds (for example, illness [presentation of a medical certificate will be necessary] or similar other contingencies). In all such cases, prior information will be necessary. Extensions on deadlines for written work will only be granted under exceptional circumstances.

Set texts

This course does not have a set text. Required readings will be available on Blackboard.

Recommended reading

A list of recommended readings is provided on Blackboard and the readings are available through the library.

Class representative

The class representative provides a useful way to communicate feedback to the teaching staff during the course. A class representative will be selected at the first lecture of the course.

Student feedback

This is a new course so has no student feedback.

Student feedback on University courses may be found at www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback_display.php.

Other important information

The information above is specific to this course. There is other important information that students must familiarise themselves with, including:

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism
- Academic Progress: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progress (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/dates
- FHSS Student and Academic Services Office: www.victoria.ac.nz/fhss/student-admin
- Grades: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades
- Special passes: refer to the *Assessment Handbook*, at www.victoria.ac.nz/documents/policy/staff-policy/assessment-handbook.pdf
- Statutes and policies including the Student Conduct Statute: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy
- Student support: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/support
- Students with disabilities: www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/disability
- Student Charter: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter
- Subject Librarians: <http://library.victoria.ac.nz/library-v2/find-your-subject-librarian>
- Terms and conditions: www.victoria.ac.nz/study/apply-enrol/terms-conditions/student-contract
- Turnitin: www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin
- University structure: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/structure
- Victoria graduate profile: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/graduate-profile
- VUWSA: www.vuwsa.org.nz