

Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: ECON-381 International Political Economy

Department: Business

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
ECON-381	International Political Economy	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Spring	42	None
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Business	Upper Division	English

Course Description

1. Classic Theories: Liberals or Mercantilists.
2. Economic Nationalism of the 1930s, World War II and the Rise of Bretton Woods
3. World Finance, post-1945.
4. The Debt Crisis and the rise of Structural Theories of the Third World and dependency.
5. International Trade and the new mercantilism of the 1980s.
6. The Rebirth of the GATT: The Uruguay Round and the WTO.
7. International trade/Multi-national Corporations.
8. Conflicting Trends: Regionalization or Globalization.

Course Aims and Objectives

This course refers to the fundamental concepts of International Economics. It also examines the evolution of the international economic system, the experience of the European Union and other regional economic association/blocks, the role of GATT and the growing power of multinational corporations. Furthermore, an assessment of the interrelationship of economic factors and political decisions will also take place

Teaching Methods

Lectures, discussions, on-line quiz work, group work, assigned readings, projects, and video films.

Course Teaching Hours

42 hours. The course is delivered during the Spring semester in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

Evaluation and Grading

Midterm exam:	20%
Final Exam:	35%
Project:	30%
Quiz and group work:	15%

Readings and Resources

Required Textbook

- GT Crane & A Amawi (eds): The Theoretical Evolution of International Political Economy.
- JA Frieden & DA Lake: International Political Economy.
- S Gill & D Law: The Global Political Economy.
- R Gilpin: The Political Economy of International Relations.
- S.Strange: States and Markets.