



Syllabus

THE INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION OF DEVELOPMENT - 58713

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HU Credits: 2

Responsible Department: international relations

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

Teaching Languages: English

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

This course focuses on several major topics regarding economic development and the position of developing countries in the contemporary trading system. The course would address the principal dimensions and measurement of "underdevelopment", principal theories of development (i.e., why some countries managed to become 'developed' while the other remained underdeveloped?), the basic principles of the GATT/WTO system, the WTO special rules regarding trade with developing countries

Course/Module aims:

The students will acquire knowledge and analytical tools regarding economic development and the special position of developing countries in the world trading system.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

Define economic development according to various parameters and Acquire knowledge regarding the particular features of developing countries.

Assess the principal theoretical approaches to economic development.

Acquire knowledge regarding the legal principles of the international trading system

and the particular positions of developing countries in this system.

Apply the above theoretical approaches as well as principles of the international trade to a particular developing country.

Attendance requirements(%):

90%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Teaching and discussions

Course/Module Content:

The common features of developing countries, theories of development, the principles of the World Trade Organization, the particular position of developing countries in the World Trade Organization

Required Reading:

1. Development: Definitions, Measurement and Consequences

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1. Alastair Creig, David Hulme and Mark Turner, *Challenging Global Inequality: Development Theory and Practice in the 21st. Century* (Palgrave, 2007), 30-52.
 2. *Human Development Index and its Components 2014*

3. Adam Szirmai, *Developing Countries and the Concept of Development* (Cambridge University Press, 2005)

2. *Theories of Development*

1. John Rapley, *Understanding Development: Theory and Practice in the Third World* (3rd. ed., Lynne Rienner, 2007) pp. 13-34, 47-52, 63-83.

2. Dennis Conway, 'Neoliberalism: Globalization's Neoconservative Enforcer of Austerity', in *The Companion to Development Studies* (3rd. ed., Vandana Desai & Robert B. Potter, eds., 2014), pp. 106-111.

3. Dennis Conway and Nikolas Heynen, 'Dependency Theories: From ECLA to Andre Gunder Frnak and Beyond', in *The Companion to Development Studies* (3rd. ed., Vandana Desai & Robert B. Potter, eds., 2014), pp 111-115.

4. Douglass C. North, *The New Institutional Economics and Development* (1993),

5. *Worldwide Governance Indicators*,

<http://info.worldbank.org/governance/wgi/index.aspx#home>

Worldwide Governance Indicators Frequently Asked Questions:

<http://info.worldbank.org/governance/wgi/index.aspx#faq>

6. F. Halsey Rogers, *The Global Financial Crisis and Development Thinking* (World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 5353, June 2010)

3. *The World Trade Organization: Basic Principles*

1. WTO, *Principles of the Trading System*,

http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/whatis_e/tif_e/fact2_e.htm

2. M. Trebilcock, R. Howse, and Antonia Eliason, *The Regulation of International Trade* (4th. Ed., 2013) pp. 24-41.

4. *Tariffs and the Most-Favored Nation Principle*

1. Andrew T. Guzman and Joost H. B. Pauwelyn, *International Trade Law* (2ed. Ed., 2012) pp. 303-306 (MFN), 680-690 (Enabling clause), 181-190 (tariffs)

2. Sonia E. Rolland, *Development at the WTO* (Oxford University Press 2012) 109-117, 153-164

3. *Regulation (EU) No 978/2012 of The European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012, applying a scheme of generalised tariff preferences and repealing*

Council Regulation (EC) No 732/2008, Official Journal of the European Union L 303/1, 31.10.2012, Article 9

4. The African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA),
Summary: <http://trade.gov/agoa/legislation/index.asp>

5. Brock R. Williams, *African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA): Background and Reauthorization (2015)*

5. National Treatment, Quantitative Restrictions, Non-Tariff Barriers & General Exceptions

1. Bernard M. Hoekman and Michel M. Kostecky, *The Political Economy of the World Trading System: The WTO and Beyond (3rd. ed., 2009)* 203-208 (on QRs), 236-259 (on standards), 199-203 (on "national treatment").

2. Peter Van den Bossche, *The Law and Policy of the World Trade Organization: Text, Cases and Materials (3rd. Ed., Cambridge University Press, 2014)* pp. 545-560 (general exceptions)

3. Melaku Desta & Moshe Hirsch, "The African Countries in the World Trading System: International Trade, Domestic Institutions and the Role of International Law", *International & Comparative Law Quarterly* (January 2012).

6. Corruption, Rule of Law and Developing Countries

1. Corruption Perceptions Index, <https://www.transparency.org/cpi2014/results>

2. Culture of Corruption: How an American agribusiness giant's alleged bribes illustrate Ukraine's endemic graft problem, *Foreign Policy*, April 3, 2014

2. Wouters, Jan and Ryngaert, Cedric and Cloots, Ann Sofie, "The Fight Against Corruption in International Law" pp. 5-34 (July 2012)

3. Rose, Cecily, *Questioning the Role of International Arbitration in the Fight Against Corruption (2013)*, Leiden Law School Research Paper

4. Benjamin A. Olken and Rohini Pande, *Corruption in Developing Countries*, *Annual Review of Economics*, vol. 4 , 479-509 (2012)

5. Transparency International, *Corruption: Cost for Developing Countries (2007)*

7. Regional Trade Agreements & North-South Economic Integration

1. Moshe Hirsch, "North-South Regional Trade Agreements: Prospects, Risks and Legal Regulation", in *Law and Development Perspective on International Trade Law* (Y.S. Lee et al., eds., Cambridge University Press, 2011) pp. 225-245.

2. Sonia E. Rolland, *Development at the WTO (Oxford University Press 2012)*,

273-282.

3. *Caroline Freund and Emanuel Ornelas, Regional trade agreements: blessing or burden? (2010)*

8. *Intellectual Property Protection & Public Health*

1. *Brian Mercurio, Intellectual Property Rights, Trade, and Economic Development, in Law and Development Perspective on International Trade Law 49 - 80 (Y.S. Lee, Tomer Broude, eds., Cambridge University Press, 2011).*

2. *Emmanuel Hassan, Ohid Yaqub, Stephanie Diepeveen, Intellectual Property and Developing Countries (Rand Europe, 2010)*

3. *Declaration on the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health, 20 November 2001*

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 100 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 0 %

Project work 0 %

Assignments 0 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information: