Syllabus

THE INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION OF DEVELOPMENT - 58713

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**HU Credits:** 2

**Degree/Cycle:** 1st degree (Bachelor)

**Responsible Department:** international relations

**Academic year:** 0

**Semester:** 1st Semester

**Teaching Languages:** English

**Campus:** Mt. Scopus

**Course/Module Coordinator:** Prof. Moshe Hirsch

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**Teaching Staff:**
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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
   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


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


3. The World Trade Organization: Basic Principles
   1. WTO, Principles of the Trading System,
      http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/whatis_e/tif_e/fact2_e.htm


4. Tariffs and the Most-Favored Nation Principle


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


6. Corruption, Rule of Law and Developing Countries

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

7. Regional Trade Agreements & North-South Economic Integration

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

8. Intellectual Property Protection & Public Health

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: