



Study-Unit Description

CODE IRL3189

TITLE International Political Economy 1

LEVEL 03 - Years 2, 3, 4 in Modular Undergraduate Course

ECTS CREDITS 4

DEPARTMENT International Relations

DESCRIPTION The study-unit will give the student an introduction to International Political Economy. It focuses on the dynamics of struggle and cooperation among nations and regions as each pursues power and wealth through international economic exchange. It provides an historical overview of the development of the world economy from 1815 to the present. The historical approach to political economy helps students understand how and why major economic powers rise and fall over time. The following themes will be dealt with: What is International Political Economy? How is it different for International Politics or International Economics? How are the two related? And does one cause the other. The three theoretical traditions of IPE.

Reading List

Gilpin, Robert (2001): Global Political Economy: Understanding the International Economic Order. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Phillips, Nicola (ed.)(2005): Globalizing International Political Economy. Palgrave Macmillan.

Ravenhill, John (2005): Global Political Economy. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Watson, Matthew (2005): Foundations of International Political Economy. Palgrave Macmillan.

Oatley, T. (2006): International Political Economy: Interests and Institutions in the Global Economy, 2nd ed., New York: Longman.

Frieden, J. & Lake, D. (2000): International Political Economy: Perspectives on Global Power and Wealth, 4th ed., Boston: Blackboard.

STUDY-UNIT TYPE Lecture

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT	Assessment Component/s	Sept. Asst Session	Weighting
	Examination (1 Hour)	Yes	100%

LECTURER/S

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