# **International Political Economy**

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This class introduces the topic of international political economy (although some now use the phrase global political economy). As such, the class focuses on economic activities that extend beyond national borders and the interplay between them and efforts to govern or manage the activities in order to achieve desired outcomes.

## Core attributes fulfilled:

Social Science General Education requirement INTA/IAML/EIA core course

# Intended learning outcomes:

By the end of the course you should be able to demonstrate the ability to:

- describe the social, political, and economic forces and technological innovations that influence social behaviors associated with domestic and international economic policy as well as the global economic system
- analyze, interpret, nd explain challenges and developments in the world economy (problem-solving in international affairs)
- work effectively in small groups to produce policy-relevant analysis in a timely fashion (professional development)
- develop and express arguments clearly and effectively (professional development)

#### Texts:

William J. Bernstein, A Splendid Exchange John Ravenhill, Global Political Economy, fifth edition

# Major assignments:

Midterm on Feb. 14

Presentation and short paper (~1000 words) due on Feb. 28 Presentation and policy paper (~2000 words) due on Apr. 29

## Class Schedule:

Week of:

Jan. 8, 10 Introduction and the IPE process we call trade

Jan. 15, 17 Historical Background

Read: A Splendid Exchange

Jan. 22, 24 Trade and Finance

Read: Ravenhill, Ch. 8

Jan. 29, 31 Investment

Read: Ravenhill, Ch. 7

Feb. 5, 7 Innovation

Read: Taylor, The Politics of Innovation, Ch. 6

Feb. 12, 14 Globalization

Read: Ravenhill, Ch. 10 MIDTERM on Feb.14

Feb. 19. 21 Domestic Politics

Read: Ravenhill, Ch. 4, 11

Feb. 26, 28 Presentations of Case Studies

March 5, 7 Theoretical Perspectives

Read: Ravenhill, Ch. 1, 2

Mar. 12, 14 Structures and Governance

Read, Ravenhill, Ch. 5, 6

Mar. 18 Spring Break

Mar. 26, 28 The Broadening of IPE

Read, Ravenhill, Ch. 12

Apr. 2, 4 IPE and Development

Read, Ravenhill, Ch. 13

Apr. 9, 11 IPE and Climate Change

Read, Ravenhill, Ch. 14

Apr. 16, 18 Presentations of Policy Recommendations

Apr. 23 Presentations continued

Final exam period: Monday, April 29 11:20 am - 2:10 pm

# Allocation of points:

Midterm 15% First paper and presentation 25% Second paper and presentation 40% Participation 20%

Note that participation is more than physical presence in the classroom.