

**Foundations of the Politics of International Economic Relations**  
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*Undergraduate Syllabus*

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**Purpose of the Course:** The increasingly rapid integration of once separate economic systems has had far reaching consequence for international politics. In order to better understand how these forces effect our world it is first necessary to examine the rise of the current Western political economic system. The roles of both domestic and systemic forces are explored as we attempt to understand the sources of economic, political and financial policy. These basic concepts are also critical to understanding current questions regarding the prospects for growth in the global South, the place of economic influence in diplomacy and the future of globalization.

**Course Requirements:** Reading constitutes the bulk of this classes course work. This is a heavy reading class, and it is essential to complete the required readings. There will be a midterm exam on (distributed Oct. 12, due Oct. 19) and a final on (distributed November 30th, due Dec. 7). Both of these are take home exams and students may feel free to consult their books and notes, but not other individuals. Because seven days are allowed for these exams no additional extensions will be given.

A short paper is also due on November 9. For this assignment students should prepare a 7 page review of one of the works covered in this class. Make a clear argument and defend it with citations from other works. Try to focus on understanding and critiquing the underlying approach or logic used by the author. Remember that as a good social scientist you should always be able to find something to criticize. DO NOT summarize the author's position. You can assume that the reader is familiar with the work. Instead move right to your own argument. Good papers will demonstrate an intimate familiarity with the work at hand, as well as the course readings in general, will have a clear and concise argument or thesis, will synthesize the readings well, and will show original creative thought.

Grading will be as follows: 50% final exam, 20% short paper, 20% midterm, 10% class participation.

**New York Times:** While many of the readings for this class are historical in nature, we are not primarily interested in history itself. Rather we wish to develop a body of theory and use that to understand the world both today and in the near future. As such students are also required to read the New York Times daily and be prepared to discuss its coverage of relevant events in class or in the assignments. The *New York Times* provides the best daily coverage of international events of any American newspaper. The easiest way to get the times is to visit their web-page (nytimes.com). Registration is required, but it is easy and free. The Times is also available to University of Utah students on campus. Alternatively, student may choose to read the *Financial Times*. This British newspaper provides the best international coverage of economic and business news, as well as excellent coverage of international events. It can be found at <http://news.ft.com/home/uk>.

**Readings:**

All required reading are on reserve in the library. The following books are available at the bookstore and are strongly recommended for purchase:

Douglass C. North and Robert Paul Thomas. 1976. *The Rise of the Western World : A New Economic History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Ronald Rogowski. 1990. *Commerce and Coalitions*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Walter Mattli. 1999. *The Logic of Regional Integration: Europe and Beyond*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Robert J. Barro. 1998. *Determinants of Economic Growth: A Cross-Country Empirical Study*. Boston: MIT Press.

William Easterly. 2002. *The Elusive Quest for Growth: Economists' Adventures and Misadventures in the Tropics*. Boston: MIT Press.

Dani Rodrik. 1997. *Has Globalization Gone Too Far?* Washington, DC: Institute for International Economics.

**On-line Class Discussion:** Part of the class participation grade is based on the students' participation in the on-line discussion forum. Each student is expected to post at least once a week and participation will be taken into account when calculating the class participation section of the your grade. You may either respond to the discussion

questions I post, critique another student's response, or pose a question yourself based on the readings in class and the NY Times. I will monitor the discussion and reserve the right to remove posts. As always you should be courteous in your discussions with fellow classmates and avoid personal insults or name calling. Feel free to reference outside sources with appropriate citations.

### **Course Style and University Resources**

All written work must be typed and double-spaced with one-inch margins. Students are free to use the Chicago Manual of Style, MLA or any other format that they are comfortable with. However, you must be consistent in your use of citation throughout a paper.

If you want to improve your writing you might want to get a copy of William Strunk and E.B. White, The Elements of Style (New York: Macmillan). Alternatively the **University Writing Center**, located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Marriot Library ((801) 587-9122) is always willing to help students wish to work on their writing skills. Call for an appointment early in the semester if you think you might need assistance and they will work with you throughout the class. This is definitely a resource everyone should consider at least checking out.

**Persons with disabilities** requiring special accommodation are encouraged to bring this to the instructor's attention at your first convenience. Written documentation of the disability and a request for special accommodation should be submitted in the first week of the semester. The Center for Disabled Students Services, 160 Union, (801) 581-5020, can answer all of your questions on this matter and help you to arrange the details.

Students will be held responsible for all academic policies and procedures listed in the student handbook. **Plagiarism** is taken very seriously in the political science department. Ideas are the only property of value in academics, and taking someone else's ideas without properly citing them is *theft*. Always be sure to include proper citations including quotation marks when applicable. Students should be prepared to submit, upon request, an electronic copy of any writing they compose for this class so that it can be tested for originality.

## Course Outline :

### **Part 1: Basic Concepts and the Development of the Western World**

Wed., August 24: Historical introduction and the problem of institutional change.

Douglass C. North and Robert Paul Thomas. 1976. *The Rise of the Western World : A New Economic History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.  
Chapters 1-2

Monday, August 29: Government and the evolution of public and private goods.

North & Thomas 3-5

Wed., August 31: **Class Canceled** (away for conference): Keep reading!

North & Thomas 6-7

Monday, September 5: **Class Canceled** (Labor Day): Fiscal Policy and the effects of governance. (Keep Reading!)

North & Thomas 8-12.

Paul Krugman. 1994. "The Myth of Asia's Miracle." *Foreign Affairs*. November/December. <http://www.econ.umn.edu/~valeriu/krugman.pdf>

Wed., September 7: Efficient Property Rights and the Impact of Governance on Development.

Class Discussion of North and Thomas, Chapters 6-12.

### **Part 2: Systemic Sources of Political Economy**

Monday, September 12: External Causes of Growth and Development:  
Introduction to Hegemonic Stability Theory

Krasner. 1976. "State Power and the Structure of the International Trading System." *World Politics*, 28, April. 317-343.

Keohane, Robert O. 1984. *After Hegemony: Cooperation and Discord in the World Political Economy*. Princeton: Princeton UP. Chapters 3,8.

Wed., September 14: Hegemonic cooperation in the American Epoch?

David Lake. 1983. "International Economic Structures and American Foreign Economic Policy, 1887-1934," *World Politics* 35 (July): 517-543

Executive Office of the President, *National Security Strategy of the United States*, December 2001. Available at:  
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/nsc/nssall.html>

Monday, September 19: Criticisms and failings of Hegemonic Stability Theory.

Arthur Stein. 1984. "The Hegemon's Dilemma" *International Organization* v. 38, spring.

Duncan Snidal. 1985. "The Limitations of Hegemonic Stability Theory." *International Organization* 39: 579-614.

David Lake. 1993. "Leadership, Hegemony and the International Economy." *International Studies Quarterly* V. 37. 459-489.

Wed, September 21: Cooperation and anarchy in world politics.

Arthur Stein. 1982. "Coordination and collaboration: Regimes in an anarchic world." *International Organization*. 36:2 (Spring) 299-324

Axelrod, Robert, and Robert O. Keohane. 1985. "Achieving Cooperation Under Anarchy: Strategies and Institutions." *World Politics* 38 (October), 226-54.

Joseph M. Grieco. 1988. "Anarchy and the Limits of Cooperation: A Realist Critique of the Newest Liberal Institutionalism." *International Organization*. 42:3 (Summer), 485-507.

Helen Milner. 1991. "The Assumption of Anarchy in International Relations Theory: A Critique." *Review of International Studies*. 17 (1): 67-85.

### **Part 3: Domestic Sources of Political Economy**

Monday, September 26: Trade, factors of production and change.

Ronald Rogowski. 1990. *Commerce and Coalitions*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

## Chapters 1-2

Wed., September 28: Class Conflict, Domestic Coalitions and Trade.

Rogowski, 3-end.

Monday, October 3: The Domestic sources of trade, Part I.

Helen Milner. 1998. "The Political Economy of International Trade." *Annual Review of Political Science*. V. 2  
[http://www.columbia.edu/%7Ehvm1/Research\\_files/petrade.pdf](http://www.columbia.edu/%7Ehvm1/Research_files/petrade.pdf)

Mansfield and Busch. 1995. "The Political Economy of Non-tariff Barriers: A Cross-National Analysis." *International Organization* v. 49:723-49.

Wed, October 5: The Domestic sources of trade, Part II.

Judith Goldstein. 1988. "Ideas, Institutions, and American Trade Policy." *International Organization* 42 (Winter): 179-217.

Edward D. Mansfield, Helen V. Milner, and B. Peter Rosendorf. 2000 "Free to Trade: Democracies, Autocracies and International Trade." *American Political Science Review* 94:2 (June): 305-322

Helen V. Milner and Benjamin N. Judkins. 2004. "Partisanship, Trade Policy, and Globalization: Is There a Left-Right Divide on Trade Policy?" *International Studies Quarterly*. Vol.48, No.1, 95-119.

## **Part 4: Economic Statecraft: Influence, Power and Diplomacy**

Monday, October 10: An overview of Economic Statecraft.

Hufbauer, Schott and Elliott. *Economic Sanctions Reconsidered, Volume I*. Second Edition. Washington, D.C.: Institute for International Economics.  
Chapter 5 only (pp. 91-114)

Stefanie Ann Lenway. 1988. "Between war and commerce: Economic Sanctions as a tool of statecraft." *International Organization*. Vol. 42 No. 2 (Spring) 397-426.

Wed., October 12: **Midterm distributed**: Asking the right questions: not “do sanctions work?” but “how do they work?”

Robert A. Pape. 1997. “Why Economic Sanctions Do Not Work.” *International Security*, Vol. 22, No. 2 (Fall) 90-136.

David A. Baldwin. 1999. “The Sanctions Debate and the Logic of Choice.” *International Security*, Vol. 24, No. 3 (Winter) 80-107.

Daniel W. Dresner. 2003. “How Smart are Smart are Smart Sanctions.” *International Studies Review* 5, 107-110.  
<http://www.danieldresner.com/research/smartsanctions.pdf>

### **Part 5: Non State actors in IPE: A changing landscape**

Monday, October 17: Classical imperialism: Capital and Conflict.

Benjamin Cohen. 1973. *The Question of Imperialism* Basic Books  
Chapter 2 only.

Wed., October 19: **Midterm due.**: The “New” Imperialism: Dependency theory and Multi-National Corporations.

Theotonio Dos Santos. 1970. "The Structure of Dependence." *American Economic Review*. Vol. 60 (May) 231-36.  
<http://ideas.repec.org/a/aea/aecrev/v60y1970i2p231-36.html>

Moran. 1978. “Multinational Corporations and Dependency.” *International Organization*. Vol. 32 (Winter). 79-100.

Monday, October 24: Regional Integration, Part I.

Walter Mattli. 1999. *The Logic of Regional Integration: Europe and Beyond*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.  
Chapters 1-3

Wed., October 26: Regional Integration, Part II.

Mattli, Chapters 3-End

### **Part 6: Economic Growth and Development in the Global South**

Monday, October 31: Introduction to Growth and Development Theory.

Robert J. Barro. 1998. *Determinants of Economic Growth: A Cross-Country Empirical Study*. Boston: MIT Press.  
Chapter 1

Wed., November 2: Growth and the Role of Government.

Barro, Chapters 2-3, concluding observations

Wade. 1992. "East Asia's Economic Success." *World Politics*. Vol. 44 (January) 270-320.

Monday, November 7: Where practice and theory part ways, Part I.

William Easterly. 2002. *The Elusive Quest for Growth: Economists' Adventures and Misadventures in the Tropics*. Boston: MIT Press.  
Chapters 1-4

Wednesday, November 9th: **Short Paper Due**. Practice and theory, Part II.

William Easterly, Chapters 5-7.

Monday, November 14:

William Easterly, Chapters 8-end.

## **Part 7: Foreign Aid and Foreign Policy**

Wed., November 16: Foreign Aid and Foreign Policy: Carrots not sticks.

Hans Morgenthau. 1962. "A Political Theory of Foreign Aid." *American Political Science Review*. Vol. 56 (June) 301-309.

Monday, November 21: Economic Aspects of Foreign Aid.

Helen V. Milner. 2004. "Why Multilateralism? Foreign Aid and the Domestic Principal Agent Problem" Typescript.  
<http://www.wcfia.harvard.edu/seminars/peggroup/milner.pdf>

Craig Burnside and David Dollar. "Aid, Policies and Growth." *American Economic Review* 90 (4): 487-68

<http://econ.worldbank.org/docs/320.pdf>

## **Part 8: The Future: Globalization and its Discontents**

Wed., November 23: Globalization and the Developed World

Thomas Friedman and Ignacio Ramonet. 1999. "Dueling Globalizations" *Foreign Policy*, No. 116 (Fall), pp. 110-127

Monday, November 28th: Taking another Look at the Globalization Debate in the Developed World.

Dani Rodrik. 1997. *Has Globalization Gone too Far?* Washington, D.C.: International Institute for Economics.

Wed., November 30th: **Final Distributed.** Globalization, Imperialism and the Developing World.

David Dollar and Aart Kraay, "Spreading the Wealth," *Foreign Affairs*, vol. 81, January/February 2002, pp. 120-133.

Branko Milanovich. 2003. "The Two Faces of Globalization: Against Globalization as we know it." *World Development* 31:4 667-683.

Monday, December 5: The Globalization Backlash and the Future of the International System?

Samuel P. Huntington. 1993. "The Clash of Civilizations?" *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 72, No. 3 pp. 22-49.

Responses to Huntington. 1993. *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 72 No. 4 pp. 2-26

Samuel P. Huntington. 1993. "If Not Civilizations What?" *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 72, No. 5 pp. 186-194.

Thursday, December 7: Last day of class: **FINALS DUE**