

The Politics and Economics of International Relations

Single subject and programme course

7.5 credits

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Relations

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Main field of study

Political Science

Course level

Second cycle

Advancement level

A1X

Course offered for

- Master's Programme in International and European Relations

Entry requirements

Applicants must, by the closing date for application, hold a bachelor's degree/kandidatexamen (equivalent for example a professional degree) of at least 180 ECTS credits in Political Science, Economics, History, Sociology or another discipline relevant for the course. In-depth study of at least 90 ECTS credits (3 semesters of full-time study) in the major subject is required, including a paper corresponding to approximately 10 weeks of study (15 ECTS). Documented knowledge of English equivalent to Engelska B/Engelska 6.

Intended learning outcomes

After completion of the course the student should be able to:

- display knowledge of the historical development of the contemporary world economy as well as international capitalism;
- account for the interplay between economics and politics in the modern day world arena;
- critically analyse the main theories of international capitalism and development.

Course content

The course covers the following areas:

- main theories of international capitalism and development;
- global economic transformation in the late twentieth century;
- the international politics of trade, monetary and financial relations, foreign direct investments, and development aid;
- the role of regional and international institutions and organisations in matters related to international trade, finance, and development.

Teaching and working methods

The course offers lectures which introduce and develop the content of the course. Lectures are complementary to the literature. Seminars and workshops are important aspects of the learning process and provide opportunities for mutual, critical discussions which develop attitudes and skills. Students are expected to be well prepared for lectures and to have completed assigned preparations for seminars. Students are expected to read and take in the literature independently and/or in self-organized reading groups. Language of instruction is English.

Activities which constitute elements of examination are mandatory.

Examination

The course is examined through active participation in seminars and an individual course paper. Detailed information can be found in the course's study guide.

Students failing an exam covering either the entire course or part of the course twice are entitled to have a new examiner appointed for the reexamination.

Students who have passed an examination may not retake it in order to improve their grades.

Grades

ECTS, EC

Other information

Planning and implementation of a course must take its starting point in the wording of the syllabus. The course evaluation included in each course must therefore take up the question how well the course agrees with the syllabus.

The course is carried out in such a way that both men's and women's experience and knowledge is made visible and developed.

Department

Institutionen för ekonomisk och industriell utveckling