ECO 646 International Political Economy
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COURSE SYLLABUS

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Course Objectives:
IPE is concerned with the interaction between the state, a sovereign territorial unit and a social relation and the market, not only a coordinating mechanism but also a set of institutions and relations which rule social production under capitalism. Generally, IPE considered as an interdisciplinary field which draws on many distinct academic schools like political economy, economics, history, political science, international relations also sociology, gender studies and cultural studies.

This course aims to provide an introductory overview of the history, current problems and prospects of the IPE. During the semester we will focus on some basic issues in IPE i.e., rise of international economy, evolution of international political economy, different national systems of political economy, international monetary relations, foreign debts and financial crisis, financialisation, global trade relations, regionalism, globalization of production and finance, globalization and state, developments issues etc. All these issues will be discussed within the context of contending theoretical approaches.

Course Requirements and Evaluation Method:
Regular attendance is required. Lectures and class discussions take place mainly depending on the reading materials. Students’ contributions to discussions held in class are essential. Students will write one at least 10 page in length term paper, reviewing an issue which they will choose. And, there will be a open book final exam.

Grading Policy:
Participation: 20%
Termpaper: 40%
Final Exam : 40%

There are two main books required for the course.


All materials will be provided by lecturer.

List of other readings which includes additional readings are given below.

On the Scope of International Political Economy: Theoretical and Methodological Issues

The Rise of International Economy in the 19th Century


International Political Economy of Post-War World


International Political Economy in the Age of “Globalization”


“Globalization” and the State


Michael Mann (1997) Has globalization ended the rise and rise of the nation-state?, Review of International Political Economy, 4:3, 472-496


Political Economy of European Integration


Werner Bonefeld (2002) European integration: the market, the political and class, Capital & Class, 26: 117


Old and New theories of Imperialism


International Political Economy of the 21th Century


**Political Economy of Current Crisis**


• Costas Lapavitsas (2013) The financialization of capitalism: ‘Profiting without producing’, City: analysis of urban trends, culture, theory, policy, action, 17:6, 792-805,