

Contemporary global Issues

Basic Information

Title: Contemporary global Issues

Code: HUM302

Credit Hours: 2 C.H.

Prerequisite(s): None

Classification: University General Knowledge Restricted Elective Course

Course Description

This course examines the operation of the global system, focusing on issues and alternative ways of addressing them, as well as the possibilities the global system has for responding to people's wants and needs. The course does not have a specific set of issues since they vary overtime. The instructor with the approval of the academic department will approve the course topic (issues). addresses: 1) the global economy, including transnational corporations, significant international institutions, trade and investment flows, and the international division of labor, as well as their human consequences such as differential rates of development and well-being; 2) the global political system, including peace and security issues, relationships among states, and the impact of states on peoples' lives; 3) the global environment, including population and resource dynamics, environmental change and environmental management; and 4) global social justice and human rights, looking at a series of struggles over the ways people in different places live and relate with each other.

Learning Objectives

- To provide students with necessary tools and instruments to understand theoretical and practical issues related to the economic external environment surrounding a business.
- To provide students with necessary tools and instruments to develop personal intellectual development in the areas of globalization and its economic, social and political dimensions
- To enhance student capability to acquire core concepts of the international trading systems and the role of multinational companies.
- To develop student's knowledge and skills to understand global issues whether social, political, cultural, or economic and their impact on human life quality.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completing the issues presented in this course at this time, students should be able to do the following:

- Understand the globalization processes at work.
- Understand the global trading system and its impact on different regions, specially developing countries.
- Identify new social structures of accumulation or modes of regulation that have emerged to promote long-term socioeconomic performance in the global economy during the early years of the 21st century.
- Understand new liberal governance; transnational corporations; global institutions of money, trade and production; international relations of war and terrorism; financial institutions; and the family-community.
- Identify different economic system the world, compare between them and evaluate their performance.

Course Outline

Module/Topic
<u>Module 01: Basic Concepts of Global Systems</u> Introduction Objectives Lesson 01: Global Environment Lesson 02: Global Trading Systems Lesson 03: International & Domestic Economies Lesson 04: An International of the Internation Economic Exchange Summary Assessment
<u>Module 02: Globalization</u> Introduction Objectives Lesson 01: International Business Administration Lesson 02: Theories of International Trade Lesson 03: Foreign Investment Summary Assessment
<u>Module 03: International Business Management</u> Introduction Objectives Lesson 01: Multinational Corporations Lesson 02: Global Business

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<p>Lesson 03: Foreign Investment : Another Perspective Summary Assessment</p>
<p><u>Module 04: World Trade Organization</u> Introduction Objectives Lesson 01: Need For the WTO Lesson 02: The WTO & DSU Lesson 03: Internet Commerce and Trade Policy Summary Assessment</p>
<p><u>Module 05 : Tax Avoidance And Tax Havens; Undermining Democracy</u> Introduction Objectives Lesson 01: The Major Global Issue: Cause and Effect Lesson 02: Importance Of Tax Revenue To Both Mother And Host Countries Lesson 03: Transfer Pricing and Privatizing Profits Lesson 04: Global Issues and the Internet Summary Assessment</p>

*Delivery mode of each module/topic will be determined by instructor and could differ from one semester to the other.