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**Global Political Economy: History and Theory (POL 361 H 1 F)**

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This course introduces a dynamic field of study that bridges international relations, comparative politics, and international economics. It provides a framework for understanding and evaluating the practice of politics at the core of the contemporary global economy.

A grounding in international relations (POL 208 or equivalent) and familiarity with basic principles of economics (ECO 100 or 105 or equivalent) are prerequisites. The course is organized in the lecture and discussion format around required readings. There will be two tests and one essay.

Grading and dates: Test (25%; in class on October 19); Test (25%; in class on November 23); Essay Prospectus (10%, 250 words, due on November 2); Essay (40%; 3000 words, due on November 30).

The tests will be based on required readings and lectures. Weekly attendance is therefore required.

The essay will be an original paper focused on one particular aspect of the contemporary global economy that poses a governance challenge for existing political authorities. The essay will describe the nature of that challenge and the current condition of any governance arrangements aimed at tackling it, trace the emergence (or not) of such governance arrangements during recent decades, and speculate on how the governance challenge might be overcome or managed more effectively in the future. The prospectus will provide a one-page outline of the planned paper and an annotated bibliography of 5-7 papers or books to be used as key sources of information.

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academic behavior here, and you are expected to know the rules. Potential offences include, but are not limited to:

In papers and assignments

- a) Using someone else's ideas or words without appropriate acknowledgement.
- b) Copying material word-for-word from a source (including lecture and study group notes) and not placing the words within quotation marks.
- c) Submitting your own work in more than one course without the permission of the instructor.
- d) Making up sources or facts.
- e) Including references to sources that you did not use.
- f) Obtaining or providing unauthorized assistance on any assignment, including working in groups or assignments that are supposed to be individual work, and having someone rewrite or add material to your work while editing it.
- g) Lending your work to a classmate who submits it as his/her own.

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- b) Falsifying institutional documents or grades.

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Accessibility Services: Students with diverse learning styles and needs are welcome in this course. In particular, if you have a disability/health consideration that may require accommodations, please feel free to approach the instructor and/or Accessibility Services at (416) 978 8060 ([accessibility.utoronto.ca](http://accessibility.utoronto.ca)).

Readings: The following paperback book includes most required readings and is available for purchase in the University Bookstore:

Robert O'Brien and Marc Williams, eds., *Global Political Economy*, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, Palgrave Macmillan, 2016.

(If you cannot purchase the book in a timely fashion, you may substitute the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of O'Brien and Williams, or, as noted below, equivalent chapters from John Ravenhill, ed. *Global Political Economy*, 4<sup>th</sup> edition. Oxford University Press, 2014.)

Instructions for access to other required readings will be provided. For additional background of direct relevance to the course, the following books are recommended but not required.

Jeffrey A. Frieden, *Global Capitalism: Its Fall and Rise in the Twentieth Century*. Norton, 2006.

William Coleman and Louis Pauly, eds., *Global Ordering: Institutions and Autonomy in a Changing World*. Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, 2008.

Edgar Grande and Louis Pauly, eds. *Complex Sovereignty: Reconstituting Political Authority in the Twenty-First Century*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2005.

Course readings and additional references are listed below. Those preceded by an asterisk are required. Please read them before class.

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### **September 14: Course Overview**

### **September 21: Disciplinary Context**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Introduction and Chapters 1 and 2. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapter 1.

Robert Gilpin, *Global Political Economy*.

Susan Strange, *States and Markets*.

Benjamin J. Cohen, *International Political Economy: An Intellectual History*.

David A. Lake, "Open Economy Politics: A Critical Review," *Review of International Organizations*, vol. 4, 2009, pp. 219-44. (Open access.)

Thomas Oatley, "The Reductionist Gamble: Open Economy Politics in the Global Economy," *International Organization*, vol. 65:2, 2011, pp. 311-341.

### **September 28: Security, the State and Dilemmas of Collective Action**

\* Watch

[https://www.ted.com/talks/steven\\_pinker\\_on\\_the\\_myth\\_of\\_violence?language=en](https://www.ted.com/talks/steven_pinker_on_the_myth_of_violence?language=en)

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 14. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapters 3.

Steven Pinker, *The Better Angels of Our Nature*, Penguin, 2012.

Coleman and Pauly, Chapters 1 and 2.

Robert Keohane and Joseph Nye, *Power and Interdependence*.

Hedley Bull, *The Anarchical Society*.

Robert Cox, *Production, Power, and World Order*.

Immanuel Wallerstein, *The Capitalist World Economy*.

Fred Block, *Origins of International Economic Disorder*.

Steven Krasner, ed. *International Regimes*.

Robert O. Keohane, "International Institutions: Two Approaches," *International Studies Quarterly*, vol. 32: 4, 1988, 379-396.

Mancur Olson, *The Logic of Collective Action*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1965: 5-52.

Elinor Ostrom, "Collective Action and the Evolution of Social Norms," *Journal of Economic Perspectives* vol. 14:3, 2000, 137-158.

Amos Tversky and Daniel Kahneman, "Rational Choice and the Framing of Decisions," *The Journal of Business* vol. 59:4, 1986, S251-S278.  
Herbert A. Simon, "Human Nature in Politics: The Dialogue of Psychology with Political Science," *The American Political Science Review* vol. 79:2, 1985, 293-304.

### **October 5: The Rise of a World Economy**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapters 3 and 4. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapter 2.

### **October 12: The Post-1945 Era**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 5. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapter 4.

### **October 19: The Global Trading System**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 6. OR \* Ravenhill Chapters 5 and 6.

Helen V. Milner, "International Trade," in *Handbook of International Relations*, Carlsnaes, Risse and Simmons eds., Los Angeles: Sage, 2013: Chapter 29.  
Andrew Walton, "What is Fair Trade?," *Third World Quarterly* vol. 31:3, 2010, 431-447.

## **TEST**

### **October 26: The Global Financial System**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 8. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapters 7 and 8.

\* Louis Pauly, "Managing Financial Emergencies in an Integrating World," *Globalizations*, vol. 6, no. 3, September 2009, pp. 353-364.

Susan Strange, "Finance, Information and Power" *Review of International Studies* vol. 16:3, 1990, 259-274

Benjamin Cohen, "The Macrofoundations of Monetary Power," in *International Monetary Power*, Andrews ed., Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2006: 31-50.

Barbara Stallings, "The Globalization of Capital Flows: Who Benefits?," *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences*, Vol. 610, 2007, 202-216.

Carla Norlöff, "Key Currency Competition: The Euro versus the Dollar," *Cooperation and Conflict* vol. 44:4, 2009, 420-442.

Louis Pauly, "The Old and the New Politics of International Financial Stability," *Journal of Common Market Studies*, vol. 47, no. 5, 2009, pp. 955-975."

Charles A.E. Goodhart, "The Two Concepts of Money: Implications for the Analysis of Optimal Currency Areas," *European Journal of Political Economy* vol. 14:3, 1998, 407-432.

### **November 2: Industrial Production on a Global Scale**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 7 and 9. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapter 11.

Nathan M. Jensen, "Democratic Governance and Multinational Corporations: Political Regimes and Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment," *International Organization* vol. 57:3, 2003, 587-616.

Pew Research Center, "Faith and Skepticism about Trade, Foreign Investment," Global Attitudes Project, 2014. Available at:  
<http://www.pewglobal.org/2014/09/16/faith-and-skepticism-about-trade-foreign-investment/>

## **ESSAY PROSPECTUS DUE**

### **November 9: Economic Development and Environmental Change**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapters 11 and 12. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapters 13 and 14.

John Williamson, "The Washington Consensus as Policy Prescription for Development," Institute for International Economics, 2004. Available at:  
<http://www.iie.com/publications/papers/williamson0204.pdf>

Nancy Birdsall, Augusto de la Torre, and Felipe Valencia Caicedo, "The Washington Consensus: Assessing a Damaged Brand," Center for Global Development, 2010. Available at:  
[http://www.cgdev.org/sites/default/files/1424155\\_file\\_Birdsall\\_Torre\\_Caicedo\\_Assessing\\_the\\_WC\\_FINAL\\_0.pdf](http://www.cgdev.org/sites/default/files/1424155_file_Birdsall_Torre_Caicedo_Assessing_the_WC_FINAL_0.pdf)

Nilima Guljarani, "Transcending the Great Foreign Aid Debate: Managerialism, Radicalism, and the Search for Aid Effectiveness," *Third World Quarterly* vol. 32:2, 2011, 199-216.

Garrett Hardin, "The Tragedy of the Commons," *Science* Vol. 162, 1968, 1243-1248.

Kal Raustiala, "States, NGOs, and International Environmental Institutions," *International Studies Quarterly* vol. 41:4, 1997, 719-740.

Graeme Auld, Stefan Renckens and Benjamin Cashore, "Transnational Private Governance Between the Logics of Empowerment and Control," *Regulation & Governance* vol. 9: 2015, 108-124.

### **November 16: Gender, Identity, and the Dynamic Role of Ideas**

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapters 10 and 13. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapter 9.

Thomas Nagel, "The Problem of Global Justice," *Philosophy and Public Affairs* vol. 33:2, 2005, 113-147.

Ian Clark, "Legitimacy in a Global Order," *Review of International Studies* vol. 29, S1, 2003, 75-95.

Pamela Blackmon, "Rethinking Poverty Through the Eyes of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank," *International Studies Review* vol. 10:2, 2008, 179-202.

## November 23: The Challenge of Global Governance

\* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 15. OR \* Ravenhill, Chapter 10.

- Andrew Hurrell, *On Global Order: Power, Values, and the Constitution of International Society*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007.
- Tana Johnson, *Organizational Progeny*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014.
- Miles Kahler and David Lake, eds., *Governance in a Global Economy*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2003.
- Charles Roger and Peter Dauvergne, "The Rise of Transnational Governance as a Field of Study," *International Studies Review*, 31 March 2016.
- Robert O. Keohane, *After Hegemony*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1984/2005.
- John Gerard Ruggie, *Constructing the World Polity*, Routledge, 1998.
- Stephen D. Krasner, eds. *International Regimes*, Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1983.
- Sophie Meunier and Karen Alter. "The Politics of International Regime Complexity," *Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 7, no. 1, 2009, 13-24.
- Kenneth W. Abbott, et al., eds., *International Organizations as Orchestrators*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015.
- Henry Farrell and Abraham L. Newman, "Domestic Institutions beyond the Nation-State: Charting the New Interdependence Approach," *World Politics*, vol. 66, no. 2, April 2014, 331-363.
- Tanja A. Börzel and Thomas Risse, eds. *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Regionalism*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016.

## TEST

## November 30: Governing a Global Economy

- \* Dieter Ernst and David Hart, "Governing the Global Knowledge Economy":  
<http://www.eastwestcenter.org/publications/governing-global-knowledge-economy-mind-gap>
- \* Louis Pauly, "Governing Global Risks":  
[http://munkschool.utoronto.ca/pauly/selected\\_publications/Pauly%20WZB%20Paper%20May%2023%202014.pdf](http://munkschool.utoronto.ca/pauly/selected_publications/Pauly%20WZB%20Paper%20May%2023%202014.pdf)

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