Advanced Study Course: International Organisations and Global Politics

About the course

subject

Forvaltning / Global Studies / Internationale udviklingsstudier / Politik og Administration / International Public Administration and Politics

activitytype

master course

Teaching language

English

Registration

Tilmelding sker via <u>stads selvbetjening</u> indenfor annonceret tilmeldingsperiode, som du kan se på <u>Studieadministrationens hjemmeside</u>

Når du tilmelder dig kurset, skal du være opmærksom på, om der er sammenfald i tidspunktet for kursusafholdelse og eksamen med andre kurser, du har valgt. Uddannelsesplanlægningen tager udgangspunkt i, at det er muligt at gennemføre et anbefalet studieforløb uden overlap. Men omkring valgfrie elementer og studieplaner som går ud over de anbefalede studieforløb, kan der forekomme overlap, alt efter hvilke kurser du vælger.

Registration is happing through <u>stads selvbetjening</u>within the announced registration period, as you can see on the <u>Studyadministration homepage</u>.

When registering for courses, please be aware of the potential conflicts between courses or exam dates on courses. The planning of course activities at Roskilde University is based on the recommended study programs which do not overlap. However, if you choose optional courses and/or study plans that goes beyond the recommended study programs, an overlap of lectures or exam dates may occur depending on which courses you choose.

Detailed description of content

International organisations and multilateral cooperation are essential elements of global politics and key to understanding the current world. They govern the globe, bringing prosperity and peace, yet are increasingly being questioned: Great Britain voted to leave the European Union, the US administration is skeptical about multilateral institutions and free trade agreements, including NATO and the North American Free Trade Agreement.

South Africa and Burundi announced their withdrawal from the ICC, and Venezuela has left the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. In this course, we develop an in-depth understanding of the structures and work of international organisations as well as the challenges they face.

In the seminar, we will apply various approaches to the study of international organisations, going beyond mainstream IR theories to include critical, legal, historical, administrative and sociological perspectives. We will analyse the history, structures, work and challenges of global cooperation and international organisations. The course has three parts. The first part studies the research field, history, structure and bureaucracy of international organisations, giving us an understanding of the foundational structure of international cooperation and conflict. The second part focuses on particular areas of global regulation and problem-solving, such as trade, health, conflict, humanitarian crises, development. The third part focuses on different constituencies that relate to international organisations, particularly the UN.

This part studies diplomacy, lobbying and NGO advocacy. Here we shall meet practitioners (a lobbyist from a Danish multinational company and a former Australian diplomat) and visit the UN City in Copenhagen to get a first-hand impression of the work and structures of the main global organisation, the UN.

Expected work effort (ECTS-declaration)

Class teaching: 26 hours

Other (for example student presentations, exercises, peer-review): 50 hours Preparation: 160 hours Examination: 40 hours

Hours - total: 276

Administration of exams

ISE Studyadministration (ise-studyadministration@ruc.dk)

Responsible for the activity

Klaas Dykmann (<u>dykmann@ruc.dk</u>) Line Engbo Gissel (<u>lgissel@ruc.dk</u>)

Type of examination

As a result of the closure of RUC, there are changes to the exam form

As a result of the shutdown at RUC, this exam has been changed to a Individual online oral examination.

Orginal examform

Individual oral examination.

The examination is based on one or more randomly drawn questions from a list of questions that the students have been made familiar with beforehand. The student will begin the examination with a brief presentation, after which the examination is conducted as a dialogue. During the examination, questions can be asked regarding the entire syllabus.

Preparation time, including drawing the question: 30 minutes. Time allowed for examination including time used for assessment 30 minutes.

Permitted support and preparation materials: Course material and own notes.

Assessment: 7-point grading scale.

Moderation: Internal co-assessor.

Re-examination:

Same as ordinary

ECTS

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Learning outcomes and assessment criteria

- Specialised knowledge and understanding of a particular topic within one of the three pillars in Global Studies
- Advanced knowledge of academic and methodological debates related to the subject
- Skills in selecting and critically applying relevant theories and methods
- Skills in choosing relevant theories in order to investigate a problem area
- Skills in communicating and discussing theories and empirical results
- Competences in assuming responsibility for and reflecting on own learning and that of fellow students by actively participating in group work, presentations and discussions
- Competences in critically, independently and creatively selecting and utilising academic literature relevant to a specific research question

Overall content

The objective of the advanced study course is to provide students with advanced knowledge and understanding within a specific research area covered by one of the three pillars in Global Studies: Global Politics, Global Sociology and Global Political Economy. At least two advanced study courses will be offered per semester. The courses offered will change every semester within the following subjects:

Global Politics:

- International public sector organisations and global governance
- Regionalisation and regional integration in international politics
- International security
- International law and human rights

Global Sociology:

- International Mobility and information flow
- International political movements and social change
- International civil society, law and defence
- Contentious identities and new global actors

Global Political Economy:

- Work and globalization
- Natural resources and geopolitics
- Trade, investment and global production networks
- International Financial Economics

Teaching and working methods

The courses are based on lectures, but will also include other teaching and working methods such as group work, exercises, student presentations, peer feedback and field trips or guest lectures as well as other practical activities.

Type of course

Optional course

Exam code(s)

Exam code(s): U40862

Course days:

Hold: 1

International Organisations and Global Politics

time 14-02-2020 08:15 til

14-02-2020 10:00

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location 06.1-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Klaas Dykmann (dykmann@ruc.dk)

Content

PART I: INTERNATIONAL STRUCTURE

Class 1. Introduction: International Organisation as a Field of Research

By Klaas Dykmann

a. Beyond conventional IR theoriesb. Main concepts in the study of IOs

c. Debates in the field of study

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Content Class 2. IOs in a Context of Inequality, Sovereignty and Diversity

By Line Engbo Gissel

a. Inequality as a fact

b. Formal sovereignty - fact or fiction? Myth or reality?

c. Diversity as a foundational condition

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time 28-02-2020 08:15 til

28-02-2020 10:00

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Content

Class 3. The Historical Development of International Organisations and Global

Cooperation

By Klaas Dykmann

a. Global Governance in the 19th Century

b. Organizing World Peace: The League of Nations

c. The re-invention of international organisations after 1945?

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Teacher Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk)

Content

Class 4. International Organisation Bureaucracies and the Sustainable Development

Goals

By Sevasti Chatzopoulou

a. Inside International Organisations: Public Administration meets IR

b. The History of International Organisations as Bureaucracies

c. The SDGs

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time 13-03-2020 08:15 til

13-03-2020 10:00

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Content

Class 5. Law as International Structure for Global Politics

By Line Engbo Gissel

 $\hbox{a. International law development since WWII and acceleration since the end of the Cold}\\$

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b. Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAIL)

c. Challenges to international law

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time 20-03-2020 08:15 til

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Content

Part II of the course: Solving the World's Problems

Class 6. Global Trade.

By Sevasti Chatzopoulou

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time 27-03-2020 08:15 til

27-03-2020 10:00

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Content Class 7. From International Health Policy to Global Health Governance

By Klaas Dykmann

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time 03-04-2020 08:15 til

03-04-2020 10:00

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Content

Class 8. International Organisations, Conflict Resolution and Humanitarian Assistance

By Line Engbo Gissel

a. Trends in peacemaking since the 1990s

b. The role of the UN and regional organisations in peacemaking

b. Judicialising peace negotiations: What to do when those who control the peace are

wanted for war crimes?

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time 17-04-2020 08:15 til

17-04-2020 10:00

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By Klaas Dykmann

International Organisations and Global Politics

time 24-04-2020 08:15 til

24-04-2020 10:00

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Content PART THREE: WORKING WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

Class 10. External Actors and NGOs

By Klaas Dykmann

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time 01-05-2020 08:15 til

01-05-2020 10:00

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location 06.1-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Karmen Tornius (tornius@ruc.dk)

Content Class 11. Diplomacy in International Organisations

By Karmen Tornius

a) Global diplomacy and international organisations – key issues and players

b) Changing diplomatic practices and diplomatic actors in 21st century

c) Forum diplomacy: agenda setting, coalition building, norm creation

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time 11-05-2020 10:15 til

11-05-2020 12:00

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Teacher Karmen Tornius (tornius@ruc.dk)

Content

Class 12. Lobbying International Organisations

By Karmen Tornius

a) The influence context: processes, opportunities and challenges

b) Interest groups (governments, corporations, cause groups and NGO's) in international lobby

c) Advocacy strategies

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15-05-2020 10:00

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Teacher Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk)

Content

Class 13. Course Conclusion and Excursion to the UN City CPH

Organised by Sevasti Chatzopoulou.

This class will include a trip to the UN City in Copenhagen. More information will be provided

once the course commences.

Exam: International Organisations and Global Politics

time 10-06-2020 09:00 til

12-06-2020 17:00

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Re-exam: International Organisations and Global Politics

time 26-08-2020 09:00 til

27-08-2020 17:00

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