

Advanced Study Course: Transnational Disruptions

About the course

subject	Global Studies / Internationale udviklingsstudier / International Public Administration and Politics / Politik / Politik og forvaltning
activitytype	master course
Teaching language	English
Registration	You register for activities through stads selvbetjening during the announced registration period, which you can see on the Study administration homepage. When registering for courses, please be aware of the potential conflicts and overlaps between course and exam time and dates. The planning of course activities at Roskilde University is based on the recommended study programmes, which should not overlap. However, if you choose optional courses and/or study plans that goes beyond the recommended study programmes, an overlap of lectures or exam dates may occur depending on which courses you choose.
Detailed description of content	Transnational disruptions can be global, regional or bilateral and affect social systems, economic structures and political orders. Transnational disruptions are recurrent phenomena and can entail accumulation of great wealth, empowerment and successful polities. But they can also bring about poverty, suppression and political collapse. Disruptions can be driven by a wide range of forces including environmental changes (e.g. climate), technological innovation (e.g. industrialization), social change (e.g. migration period) or ideas (e.g. liberalism). Often these drivers combine, e.g.: industrialization<->urbanization (migration)<->liberalism<->climate change ... Since the second world war, profound transnational disruptions have included de-colonization (~60 years ago), the end of the Cold War (~30 years ago) and the demise of the Western Liberal order (~12 years ago). At a regional level the latter is mirrored in Brexit and member state contestation of the European Union. In this seminar emphasis will be on political instances of contemporary transnational disruptions. These include the return of great power rivalry, the revival of nationalism and populism, secessionist currents in Western Europe and political implications of the covid-19 pandemic. Sessions (provisional): 1) Theories and core concepts on Transnational Order and Disruption (Michael Kluth) 2) Foreign policy analysis and the disruption/break down of the liberal international order (Gorm Rye Olsen) 3) EU and the disruption of the liberal international order and disruptive nationalist backlash (Michael Kluth) 4) The US and Europe - The transatlantic alliance: disruption and realignment (Gorm Rye Olsen) 5) The illiberal regimes and liberal governments (I.e. China/Russia versus EU & US) (Gorm Rye Olsen) 6) Undisruptable? The Global triumph of Westphalia (Michael Kluth) 7) Colonialism, the Global South and the challenge to the Western Order (Gorm Rye Olsen) 8) Pandemics, Power Politics and Panicking Publics (Michael Kluth) 9) Nationalism & Populism: links and disjuncture's (Mathias Holst Nicolaisen) 10) Secessionist currents in Western Europe (Mathias Holst Nicolaisen) 11) XR, BLM & #MeToo: Transnational social movements and transnational political issues (Francesco Campo) 12) Centre-Left Populism at the Mediterranean Rim (Francesco Campo) 13) Structural, Institutional & Domestic disruptions – the daunting prospects for the Middle East (Gorm Rye Olsen) The portfolio consist of two products. After the 7th session students are given an assignment on macro features of transnational disruptions. The written submission comprise a maximum of 14.400 characters including spaces. Towards the end of the course students shall in addition

produce an essay on particular manifestations of transnational disruptions drawing mainly on the second half of the course (also max 14.400 characters). In the essay students choose one or more of sessions 8-13 as their point of departure.

Expected work effort (ECTS-declaration)

10 ECTS => 270 hours

Class participation: 132=26 hours Preparation for class: 1310= 130 hours Exercises/presentation: 40 hours Reading up for oral exam + exam: 74 hours

Course material and Reading list

Mainly articles from top journals supplemented by working papers and public reports and policy assessments. An example of the latter is this US intelligence report https://www.dni.gov/files/ODNI/documents/assessments/GlobalTrends_2040.pdf

Evaluation- and feedback forms

There will be an opportunity to get oral feedback on any exercises and discussions in class.

Administration of exams

ISE Studyadministration (ise-studyadministration@ruc.dk)

Responsible for the activity

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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 the 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 activity

Elective course

Form of examination (p1)

Individual written portfolio.

The portfolio consists of 2 written products, that wholly or partially are developed during the course. For example, products can be exercise responses, speech papers for presentations, written feedback, reflection, written assignments. The preparation of the products may be subject to time

limits.

The character limit: maximum 28,800 characters, including spaces.
The character limits include the cover, table of contents, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices.

The portfolio's specific products and the (if relevant) recommended size (character limit) for the individual products are made public on study.ruc.dk before the course begins.

The entire portfolio must be handed in at the same time.
The submission deadline will be public on study.ruc.dk before the course begins.

The assessment is individual and based on the entire portfolio.

Assessment: 7-point grading scale.

Form of Re-examination
(p1)

Samme som ordinær eksamen

Exam code(s)

Exam code(s) : U41620

Course days:

Hold: 1

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 13-09-2021 14:15 til
13-09-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth (kluth@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 20-09-2021 14:15 til
20-09-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 27-09-2021 14:15 til
27-09-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth (kluth@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 04-10-2021 14:15 til
04-10-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 11-10-2021 14:15 til
11-10-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 18-10-2021 14:15 til
18-10-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth (kluth@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 25-10-2021 14:15 til
25-10-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 01-11-2021 14:15 til
01-11-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth (kluth@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 08-11-2021 14:15 til
08-11-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Mathias Holst Nicolaisen (mathiasn@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 15-11-2021 14:15 til
15-11-2021 16:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Mathias Holst Nicolaisen (mathiasn@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 29-11-2021 14:15 til
29-11-2021 16:00

location 07.1-008 - undervisningslokale (60)

Teacher Francesco Campo (campo@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 06-12-2021 14:15 til
06-12-2021 16:00

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location 05.1-032 - teorirum 05.1 (65)

Teacher Francesco Campo (campo@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 13-12-2021 14:15 til
13-12-2021 16:00

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location 05.1-032 - teorirum 05.1 (65)

Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Transnational Disruptions - Hand-in, exam (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 14-01-2022 10:00 til
14-01-2022 10:00

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Transnational Disruptions - Hand-in, reexam (GS, IDS, IPAP, PF, POL)

time 28-02-2022 10:00 til
28-02-2022 10:00

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