Mandatory Course 4: International Policy Analysis

Title	Mandatory Course 4: International Policy Analysis
Semester	F2023
Master programme in	International Public Administration and Politics / International Politics and Governance
Type of activity	Course
Teaching language	English
Study regulation	

REGISTRATION AND STUDY ADMINISTRATIVE

Registration

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

When registering for study activities, please be aware of the potential conflicts between study activities or exam dates. The planning of 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.

Number of participants

ECTS 10

Responsible for the activity

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Study administration

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Exam code(s)

U60140

ACADEMIC CONTENT

Overall objective

This course focuses on international policy and how it is affected by international politics and governance. While International policy analysis presents certain similarities to that at the state level, it differs significantly. This course aims to provide a deep understanding of the rationale of

international policy analysis and on how we can combine international relations and international public administration theories in this endeavor. International Policy Analysis focuses on the policy processes that are characterized by cooperation, negotiation, and/or conflicts involving various actors during the different phases of the policy cycle.

The international policy processes differ among policy areas and across governance levels (e.g. local, national, regional and international). The course provides theoretical knowledge on how policy is designed, decided, implemented, and evaluated in order to address international policy problems.

To enable the students to understand how international policy making occurs, the course provides empirical knowledge on specific policy areas (e.g. environmental or foreign policy) related to current events and policy initiatives (e.g. United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Strategy). The course focuses on policy instruments and how they differ across policy areas: From policy areas characterized by binding rules and sanctions to policy areas that are based on soft law and guidelines.

Policy areas include social policies, labor policy, pension, climate change and environment, Health and Food as well as foreign and security policies. Important overarching questions include: How do we define an international policy problem? Why and when do we need international policy solutions? What are the benefits and limits of the policy cycle framework in international policy analysis? Who are the actors and institutions involved in the different phases of the policy cycle? How these actors operate at different levels in selected policy areas? Which institutions operate at different levels in selected policy areas with which mandates and competences? How does their influence differ across countries and regions, and why?

Teaching consists primarily of lectures and continuous interaction and discussions with the students on a specific policy area. Each lecture concentrates usually on one policy area and introduces a relevant theoretical perspective depending on the type of policy area.

Detailed description of content

Students wil pick a question by drawing lots, with a preparation time of 30 minutes. The exam starts with the student answering the selected question. Following the student's answer to the selected question, the examiner and co-examiner will ask questions, which will cover the entire currciululum of the course.

Course material and Reading list

The pensum consists of the entire course literature, as specified on Moodle.

Overall plan and expected work effort

Expected work effort 10 ECTS, equivalent to about 300 work hours, of which 20 hours for classes, 220 hours for class preparation, and 60 hours for exam preparation.

Format

Evaluation and feedback

A mid-term evaluation will take place in class, with a view to adadpting the remainder of the course in response to student feedback, where feasible.

Programme

Programme will be available on Moodle

ASSESSMENT

Overall learning outcomes

- To identify, analyse, and discuss international policy problems.
- To select and apply key theories and methodologies in policy analysis.
- To identify and explain differences in policies, policy processes, and policy instruments across policy areas and governance levels.
- To disseminate policy analysis to the academic world and practitioners.

Form of examination

Individual oral exam with time for preparation.

Time for preparation including time to pick a question by drawing lots: 30 minutes.

Time allowed for exam including time used for assessment: 30 minutes.

Permitted support and preparation materials: All (only notes written during the preparation may be brought into the exam).

Assessment: 7-point grading scale. Moderation: Internal co-assessor.

Form of Reexamination

Samme som ordinær eksamen / same form as ordinary exam

Type of examination in special cases

Examination and assessment criteria

Individual oral exam with time for preparation. Time for preparation including time to choose a question by drawing lots: 30 minutes. Time allowed for exam including time used for assessment: 30 minutes. Grading is based on the Danish grading scale, which consists of seven grades.

Assessment criteria (4) Students will be assessed on their ability to 1. Unfold and assess the various dimensions of international policy problems 2. Develop and describe alternative solutions to solve policy challenges, for instance, diplomatic discussions, international agreements, sanctions, etc. 3. Compare and evaluate the feasibility, or lack thereof, of policy solutions and the necessary resources and policy tools. 4. Apply methods of policy analysis covered in the course, such as the policy cycle model or case study research, to international policy problems

Exam code(s)

Exam code(s): U60140

Course days:

Hold: 1

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 09-02-2023 12:15 til

09-02-2023 14:00

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location 09.2-009 - teorilokale (60)

Teacher Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 16-02-2023 12:15 til

16-02-2023 14:00

location 05.1-032 - teorirum 05.1 (65)

Teacher Thomas Paster (paster@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 23-02-2023 12:15 til

23-02-2023 14:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Thomas Paster (paster@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 02-03-2023 12:15 til

02-03-2023 14:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Thomas Paster (paster@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 09-03-2023 12:15 til

09-03-2023 14:00

location 06.1-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Thomas Paster (paster@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 16-03-2023 12:15 til

16-03-2023 14:00

location 06.1-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Thomas Paster (paster@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 23-03-2023 12:15 til

23-03-2023 14:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 30-03-2023 12:15 til

30-03-2023 14:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Michelle Pace (mpace@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 13-04-2023 12:15 til

13-04-2023 14:00

location 05.2-032 - teorirum (65)

Teacher Michelle Pace (mpace@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 20-04-2023 12:15 til

20-04-2023 14:00

location 25.1-035 - teorirum 25.1 (130)

Teacher Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 25-04-2023 12:15 til

25-04-2023 14:00

location 05.1-032 - teorirum 05.1 (65)

Teacher Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 27-04-2023 12:15 til

27-04-2023 14:00

location 05.1-032 - teorirum 05.1 (65)

Teacher Thomas Paster (paster@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis (IPG)

time 04-05-2023 12:15 til

04-05-2023 14:00

location 07.1-008 - undervisningslokale (60)

Teacher Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk)

International Policy Analysis - Exam (IPG)

time 06-06-2023 08:15 til

09-06-2023 18:00

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International Policy Analysis - Reexam (IPG)

time 25-08-2023 08:15 til

25-08-2023 18:00

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