

Syllabus: PSCI 4012

Global Development

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Title: Global Development

Course Prefix/Number: PSCI 4012

Credits: 3

Semester/Year: Fall 2023

Meeting Days/Time and Location: Tues/Thurs, 3:30-4:45pm, Eaton Humanities Bldg 1B80

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Late or Missed Exam Policy

Exams will be based on any material covered during class and in the readings. Makeup opportunities are available **with prior faculty approval**. Without prior approval, students may not be granted a makeup opportunity.

Quizzes

Quizzes are given at the start of class on the day indicated in the course calendar. There are no makeup quizzes except for highly-extenuating circumstances that make it impossible for you to attend on the designated day (must be documented). You must contact the instructor **BEFORE** the quiz if you need to request a makeup. Quizzes are closed-note/closed-book. Makeup quizzes are not allowed (see below for more information).

Group Papers & Debate Projects

You will see a scheduled debate in the calendar. You will be randomly assigned to a group and given a position to take. The group must turn in a response paper by the designated deadline. The paper must state the group's position regarding the debate question and support it with as much evidence as possible. You must refer to mainstream arguments, theory, data and logic to support your case.

Group papers must be 2500 to 3000 words

Missed Quizzes/Exams

CALENDAR / ASSIGNMENTS

DATE	TOPIC	ASSIGNED READINGS	EXAM/ QUIZ/ ASSIGNMENT/ OTHER
8/29	Introduction & Syllabus	Read: Syllabus	
8/31	Defining Development Economic development and GDP as an indicator	Read: Ch. 1, Baker Read: Ch. 1, "Falling Behind and Falling Apart: The Bottom Billion," in <i>The Bottom Billion</i> , by Paul Collier, pp. 3-13	
9/5	Defining development Economic development and GDP as an indicator	Read: Ch. 1, Baker Read: Ch. 1, "Falling Behind and Falling Apart: The Bottom Billion," in <i>The Bottom Billion</i> , by Paul Collier, pp. 3-13	
9/7	Defining Human Development Capabilities Approach	Read: Ch. 2, Baker Read: Ch. 5, "The Better News: The Great Convergence in Quality of Life" in <i>Getting Better</i> , by Charles Kenny	Quiz 1 at start of class
9/12	Costs and Benefits of Economic Development Inequality, environment, culture, happiness, etc.	Read: Ch. 3, Baker	
9/14	Obstacles to Development: Legacies of Slavery and Colonialism	Read: Ch. 4, Baker Read: Daren Acemoglu, Simon Johnson and James Robinson. "The Colonial Origins of Comparative Development," in <i>Development and Underdevelopment</i> . Ch. 10 (2014, 5 th Edition)	

9/19	International Relations (IR): Import Substitution Industrialization Dependency Theory	Read: Ch. 5, Baker	
9/21	Economic Globalization (IR): Trade and Capital Market Liberalization The Race to the Bottom	To better understand ISI, READ: Werner Baer. "Import Substitution Industrialization in Latin America: Experiences and Interpretations," in <i>Latin American Research Review</i> , Vol. 7, No. 1 (Spring, 1972) *ONLY SECTIONS: "The Nature of ISI in Latin America" and "Critiques of ISI" To better understand Dependency Theory, READ: Theotonio Dos Santos. "The Structure of Dependence," in the <i>American Economic Review</i> , Vol. 60, No. 2 (May, 1970)	Quiz 2 at start of class
9/26	Foreign Aid Bretton Woods/Post-WWII Economic Order: GATT, IMF,		

10/3	Economic Development Models: Capitalism Socialism State-led Capitalism (ISI & EOI)	Read: Ch. 7, Baker	
10/5	Catch up session Exam Preparation	Catch up on lecture (if necessary). Exam discussion and preparation.	
10/10	Exam 1	In-class exam on material covered up to this point. Closed note and no electronics. Bring a blue book.	
10/12	Overview of Group Project Regime type Institutions	Read: Ch. 9, Baker Read: Daron Acemoglu and James Robinson. "Democracy Does Cause Growth." 2019. Recommended reading: Adam Przeworski and Fernando Limongi. "Political Regimes and Economic Growth," *THIS ARTICLE IS AN OVERVIEW OF IDEAS ON REGIME TYPE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	<i>Details about next week's group project will be given to you in class and posted on Canvas.</i>
10/17	Debate Preparation	Details about the project will be given to you in class and posted on Canvas. Sit with your group members when you come to class and be ready to work on your projects.	
10/19	Debate Preparation	Continue to work with your groups.	<i>Group paper is due by Sunday, October 22 at 11:59pm</i>
10/24	Debate Day	In-Class debate	
10/26	Violence and Development I Civil War	Read: Ch. 12, Baker Read: Paul Collier. Ch. 2, "The Conflict Trap," in <i>The Bottom Billion</i> .	Quiz 4 at start of class

	Crime and Gang Violence		
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10/31	Violence and Development II Case Study: Crime and Violence in Latin America	Read: Alessandra Heinemann and Dorte Verner. "Crime and Violence in Development: A Literature Review of Latin America and the Caribbean," World Bank Research Paper (October, 2006)	
11/2	Geography & Development	Read: Ch. 13, Baker Read: Jeffrey Sachs and Pia Malaney. "The Economic and Social Burden of Malaria," in <i>Insight Review Articles</i> (February 2002)	Quiz 5 at start of class
11/7	Culture, Society, Identity and Development	Read: Ch. 10, Baker Read: Lawrence Harrison. "Latin America: Democracy and Markets are Not Enough," in <i>World Affairs</i> (Spring 1993)	
11/9	Gender and Development	Read: Ch. 11, Baker	
11/14	Environmental Issues, Environmental Change and Development	Read: Ch. 14, Baker	
11/16	Formal and Informal Markets	Read: Ch. 8, Baker <i>Details about the project will be given to you in class and posted on Canvas</i>	

11/28	Group Papers & Presentation Preparation	Come to class ready to work on your projects with your group members. Please sit with your group when you come into class.	<i>Group Paper is Due by Sunday, December 3 at 11:59pm</i>
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12/5	In-Class Presentations		
12/7	In-Class Presentations		
12/12	In-Class Presentations Exam Review	After the final presentation, we will begin to review for the final exam.	
12/14	Final Exam Review	Continue preparing for the final exam.	
TBD	Final Exam		