

Course title

Globalization: Historical, critical and French societal perspectives

Course taught by

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Recent publication: Yauheni Kryzhanouski, Dominique Marchetti & Bella Ostromoukhova (dir.), *L'invisibilisation de la censure. Les nouveaux modes de contrôle des productions culturelles (Bélarus, France, Maroc et Russie)*, Paris Sorbonne Université, 2020.

Purpose of the course

The course intends to equip students to analyze systematically the phenomenon known as globalization, as well as to understand current public and academic debates in France focusing on a critique of globalization and its local effects.

Description of the course

The course is structured by three main analytical stand-points. The first is the history of the process now known as globalization, a history still under debate. The second perspective comprises a look at the main features of the phenomenon of globalization: intensification of worker mobility and migration; vastly increased capital flows as well as flows of goods and services; and the significant increase in information exchange or cultural globalization. The third point of view is that of the main actors of globalization - States, international organizations, NGOs and transnational movements, multinational corporations - whose roles are transformed by the effects of globalization.

Course format

This course meets weekly for 2.5 hours throughout the 12-week internship period. The course is a lecture/seminar whereby the professor presents material for development in structured class discussion and debate.

Course outline

Introduction. The search for a definition

1. History of Globalization: Europeanization? Westernization? Expansion of capitalism?

- 1.1. From the ancient world to the great geographical discoveries
- 1.2. The modern era
- 1.3. A global space?
- 1.4. A world pandemic: change or parenthesis?

2. Perspective on the intensification and acceleration of flows

- 2.1. Migrations
- 2.2. Trade in goods and services
- 2.3. Financial exchanges
- 2.4. Flows of information and ideas

3. Globalization from a perspective of international political economy

- 3.1. International political economy: Theory or discipline?
- 3.2. American school: A theory of the domination of states, in a neorealist tradition
- 3.3. British school: Power structures and the dissemination of power
- 3.4. Canadian school: A theory of the globalization of the ruling classes, in a neo-marxist tradition
- 3.5. Synthesis

4. The principal actors of globalization and the transformation of their roles

- 4.1. States
- 4.2. Economic actors
- 4.3. Transnational movements and international non-governmental organizations
- 4.4. International organizations

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Grading

Students' work is evaluated on the basis of formal of a written final examination, as well as readiness for and participation in class discussion.

Equivalent in American university course offerings

Any course on globalization including historical perspectives and analysis of current state of affairs, including courses focusing on the effects of globalization locally.