Universidad de Navarra

Political Economy (DobleRRII/Derecho/Hist)

Guía docente 2026-27

PRESENTACIÓN

Breve descripción: This course provides the basic tools and concepts to analyze the global political economy and its evolution over time. To do so, it first introduces students to some key economic theories that form the basis for the dominant analytical framework in international polical economy. From there, the second part traces the evolution and eventual domination of a European-based world economy. The third part focuses on recent dynamics of the global political economy, highlighting a series of important structures and frameworks.

- **Titulación**: RRII
- **Módulo/Materia**: Fundamentos de las relaciones internacionales, Fundamentos políticos, económicos y jurídicos
- **ECTS**: 6
- **Curso, semestre**: 3rd year, 1st semester.
- **Carácter**: mandatory
- **Profesorado**: Martin Rode
- **Idioma**: English
- **Aula, Horario**: Monday 15:30 to 17:30 (Aula 35, Edificio Central), Friday 12:00 to 14:00 (Aula B1, Edificio Amigos)

RESULTADOS DE APRENDIZAJE (Competencias)

Basicas y Generales

CG04 - Usar el inglés con propiedad según la terminología científica y académica propia de la Relaciones internacionales.

CG05 - Saber expresarse oralmente de manera correcta y adecuada sobre temas internacionales.

CG07 - Valorar con espíritu crítico la realidad internacional y sus problemas específicos.

CB1 - Que los estudiantes hayan demostrado poseer y comprender conocimientos en un área de estudio que parte de la base de la educación secundaria general, y se suele encontrar a un nivel que, si bien se apoya en libros de texto avanzados, incluye también algunos aspectos que implican conocimientos procedentes de la vanguardia de su campo de estudio.

CB3 - Que los estudiantes tengan la capacidad de reunir e interpretar datos relevantes (normalmente dentro de su área de estudio) para emitir juicios que incluyan una reflexión sobre temas relevantes de índole social, científica o ética.

CB4 - Que los estudiantes puedan transmitir información, ideas, problemas y soluciones a un público tanto especializado como no especializado.

CB5 - Que los estudiantes hayan desarrollado aquellas habilidades de aprendizaje necesarias para emprender estudios posteriores con un alto grado de autonomía.

Especificas

CE01 - Conocer los conceptos y técnicas aplicadas al análisis de los actores y relaciones internacionales.

CE03 - Valorar y contrastar las distintas teorías políticas, económicas, o sociológicas que explican la organización particular de las sociedades contemporáneas.

CE07 - Conocer las características de la geopolítica mundial y el concepto la denominada sociedad internacional.

CE13 - Conocer y analizar las teorías e ideologías políticas contemporáneas.

CE20 - Evaluar las relaciones internacionales y cada uno de sus componentes sociológicos, históricos, jurídicos, políticos y económicos.

Skills to be developed will be:

- To properly use English according to scientific and academic standards in International Relations.
- To speak correctly and in an articulated way on international affairs.
- To develop a critical understanding of international issues and their specific problems.
- Based on secondary education background, advanced handbooks and specialized academic bibliography, acquire a demonstrable ability to develop knowledge and ownership.
- To gather relevant information developing and to conduct data analysis conducive to reflective value judgments and reflections on subjects of sociopolitical, scientific or ethical relevance.
- To efficiently transmit information, ideas, problems and solutions to the general public and specialized audiences.
- To acquire those learning skills needed to further develop research and study with a high degree of autonomy.
- To consistently use the main concepts and applied techniques to analyze international relations and its structures, actors, issues and processes.
- To know the basics of global geopolitics and global society.
- To understand and be able to discuss contemporary political ideologies and their relevance critically.
- To evaluate international relations issues in terms of their diverse socio-political, historical, economic and legal dimensions

PROGRAMA

Part 1: Basic concepts of economic analysis

1. Demand and supply
2. Externalities and public goods
3. GDP and economic growth

Part 2: Theories and evolution

1. Theories of the golbal political economy
2. The evolution of the world economy: 1400-present

Part 3: Dynamics

1. International trade
2. The global financial system
3. Economic development
4. Global environmental change

ACTIVIDADES FORMATIVAS

AF1 - Asistencia a clases magistrales

AF2 - Seminarios de discusión

AF3 - Análisis de casos y actividades prácticas presenciales

AF4 - Tutorías

AF5 - Estudio personal

AF6 - Elaboración de trabajos dirigidos

EVALUACIÓN

Grade compostion

- *Final exam*: 50%
- *Group presentation*: 35%
- *Contributions in class*: 15%

Grading activities

- Theoretical lectures are imparted and compulsory. Computers, cellphones, electronic notepads, and other digital devices are not permitted in class.
- The *final exam* will be based on the theoretical lectures. All lectures will be made available on ADI.
- *Group presentations* are to be given in groups of three or four students (assigned by the teacher at random) on a specific topic. These are all related to the topics covered in class and are individually visible in the group assignments section. Presentations are to effectively summarize the current state of knowledge in this specific area employing scientific literature as a base. Please take note that this is a group activity and evaluations are made accordingly. Presentations will be 10 minutes each, followed by 5 minutes of questions from the teacher. Group presentations have to be handed-in to the teacher via ADI on presentation day. The ethical standards of a scientific working style apply, and the use of AI in the creation of content must be duly acknowledged. Citation style for presentations.
- *Contributions in class* are evaluated with 1,5 points towards the final mark. Students are expected to actively participate in the lectures and debates.

Presentation dates: 30.10 (Groups 1-5); 6.11 (Groups 6-9); 13.11 (Groups 10-13)

CONVOCATORIA ORDINARIA

- December 17 at 11:30 in Aula 010

CONVOCATORIA EXTRAORDINARIA

- TBA

HORARIOS DE ATENCIÓN

Dr. Martin Rode (martinrode@unav.es)

- Despacho 2070, Edificio Amigos. Planta 2 (hilera)
- Horario de tutoria: By appointment on Monday or Wednesday, 10:00-14:00;

BIBLIOGRAFÍA

- O'Brien, R., & Williams, M. (2020). *Global political economy: Evolution and dynamics* . Bloomsbury Publishing, 6th edition. Find it in the library.
- Gwartney, J.D., Stroup, R.L., Sobel, R.S., & Macpherson, D.A. (2021). *Economics: Private & public choice*. Cengage Learning, 17th edition.



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