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1) Globalization and Sustainable Development

Students enrolled in this stream of study will come to understand the dynamics of economic globalization. Students completing this stream will gain a general appreciation for the features and mechanisms of cross-border economic interactions, as well as a specific understanding of the social and environmental impacts of globalization on development. Those students interested in this stream may find career opportunities in multinational corporations and international development agencies appealing.

ECON2262. Economic development (6 credits)
GEOG2013. Sustainable development (6 credits)
GEOG2030. Global development (6 credits)
GEOG2128. Economic geography (6 credits)
GEOG3419. Sustainable urban and transport planning (6 credits)
POLI3005. Capitalism and social justice (6 credits)
POLI3081. Workshop in Global Studies (6 credits)
POLI3089. Global Studies internship (12 credits)
POLI3114. Understanding fair trade – a global movement (6 credits)
SOCI2006. Economic development and social change (6 credits)
STRA3702. International business (6 credits)
STRA4703. Business in Latin America (6 credits)

2) Global Governance and Security

Students enrolled in this stream of study will come to understand the role of globalization as a force of destabilization and destruction, as well as reconstruction and renaissance. Students completing this stream will be familiar with the role that war, crime, political disruption, and economic instability play in the history and contemporary patterns of globalization. Those students interested in this stream may find career opportunities in risk-analysis, peacekeeping operations, and state-military organizations appealing.

GEOG2109. Changing population structure in modern society (6 credits)
GEOG2124. Environmental change and socio-political conflicts (6 credits)
GEOG2127. Environmental management (6 credits)
LLAW3091. Ethnicity, human rights, & democracy (6 credits)
POLI3010. Democracy and its critics (6 credits)
POLI3081. Workshop in Global Studies (6 credits)
POLI3088. Human security in the global context (6 credits)
POLI3089. Global Studies internship (12 credits)
POLI3099. Perspectives and practice in world politics (6 credits)
POLI3103. Politics of the Global South (6 credits)
POLI3113. On the ethics of violence (6 credits)
SOCI2054. Triads and organized crime (6 credits)
SOCI2076. Globalization and crime (6 credits)

3) Globalization, Society, and Culture

Students enrolled in this stream of study will come to understand the impact of globalization on groups, large and small. Students completing this stream will be familiar with the multiple ways that global forces shape and re-shape the lives of individuals and cultures, from consumer preferences to religious affiliations. Those students interested in this stream may find career opportunities in socially conscious NGO's particularly appealing.

CLIT2050. Globalization and culture (6 credits)
GEOG2018. Transport geography (6 credits)
GEOG2056. Tourism and the shrinking world (6 credits)
GEOG2096. Human impacts on ecosystems (6 credits)
GEOG2129. Geography of religion (6 credits)
GEOG3211. Climate change and social responses (6 credits)
POLI3081. Workshop in Global Studies (6 credits)
POLI3085. Globalization and health care policy (6 credits)
POLI3089. Global Studies internship (12 credits)
POLI3093. Understanding social protest (6 credits)
POLI3114. Understanding fair trade – a global movement (6 credits)
SOCI2061. Religion and society (6 credits)
SOCI2087. Urban society and culture (6 credits)
SOWK2122. Community building and the civil society (6 credits)

4) Globalization and Asia

Students enrolled in this stream of study will come to understand the consequences of globalization for East Asia’s political, economic, social, cultural, ecological, and security development. Students completing this stream will be familiar with major dilemmas and various strategies for coping with the forces of globalization in the region. Those students interested in this stream may find career opportunities in think tanks and international organizations concerned with East Asia appealing.

ECON2264. Economic development of China (6 credits)
ECON2249. Foreign trade and investment in China (6 credits)
FINA2333. Asian financial institutions (6 credits)
GEOG2126. Globalizing China: the land and the people (6 credits)
GEOG3102. China: environment and sustainable development (6 credits)
GEOG3104. Globalizing China: development issues (6 credits)
POLI3012. East Asian political economy (6 credits)
POLI3019. Hong Kong and the world (6 credits)
POLI3022. Governing China (6 credits)
POLI3059. China and the world (6 credits)
POLI3061. Hong Kong and South China: the political economy of regional development and cooperation (6 credits)
POLI3081. Workshop in Global Studies (6 credits)
POLI3089. Global Studies internship (12 credits)
POLI3114. Understanding fair trade – a global movement (6 credits)
POLI3123. Politics of the two Koreas (6 credits)
SOCI2003. Contemporary Chinese society (6 credits)
SOCI2018. Japanese society (6 credits)
SOCI2075. Hong Kong: Community and cultural policy in the global context (6 credits)
SOCI2077. Media, culture and communication in contemporary China (6 credits)