

Introduction to International Economics

2^{ème} année
Deuxième Semestre

Titre du cours - Course title

Intitulé du cours : **Introduction to International Economics**

Type de cours : Cours électif

Langue du cours/Language of instruction : Anglais

Enseignant(s) – Professor(s)

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Résumé du cours – Objectifs - Course description – Targets

This course will aim at providing an overview of recent and current issues relevant in international macroeconomics for advance, emerging and low-income economies. The course will help student acquire and understand the main concepts in international economics and international finance (balance of payment, exchange rate, sovereign debt, capital flows...). Focus will be on applied cases, examples and recent economic developments: emerging market financial crisis, European monetary integration, international dimension of the COVID-19 crisis, climate change policies, the hegemony of the dollar, the rise of China and evolution of global inequalities. No prerequisite in mathematics or economic models is expected, but some basic knowledge in economic concepts will be useful.

By the end of the course, students are expected (i) to have acquired good understanding of concepts relevant to international economics, (ii) to have developed strong understanding of economic mechanisms, (iii) and to be able to analyze, assess and discuss international economic developments.

Evaluation - Assessment

The course final grade will be based on three components: 40% oral presentation given during the class, 40% final exam, 20% participation

Plan – Séances - Course outline

- Session 1: Income levels around the world and the convergence theory (AS)
- Session 2: Economic Policy in an Open Economy (Mundell-Fleming) (SD)
- Session 3: Balance of Payments (SD)
- Session 4: Exchange Rate and Exchange Rate Regimes (SD)

- Session 5: Sovereign Debt Issues (AS)
 Session 6: The Euro Area Construction I (AS)
 Session 7: The Euro Area Construction II (AS)
 Session 8: Globalization and Inequalities (SD)
 Session 9: International Finance and the Dollar Hegemony (AS)
 Session 10: Climate Change Economics in an International Perspective (AS)
 Session 11: Macroeconomic Impacts of Covid-19 (SD)
 Session 12: Wrap up / Follow up questions

Bibliographie - Bibliography :

Key economics textbooks covering the content of the course

Bénassy-Quéré, Coeuré, Jacquet, Pisani-Ferry, Economic Policy: Theory and Practice

Obstfeld and Rogoff, Foundations in International Macroeconomics

Krugman Obstfeld, and Melitz, International Economics: Theory and Policy, 11th Edition

Jacques Généreux – Economie Descriptive et Comptabilité

References for each session (additional references will be provided during the semester)

Session 1: Income levels around the world and the convergence theory (AS)

Johnson, Papageorgiou, [What Remains of Cross-Country Convergence?](#)

Session 2: Economic Policy in an Open Economy (Mundell-Fleming) (SD)

Jacques Généreux – Macroéconomie, 9eme edition

Session 3: Balance of Payments (SD)

Banque de France, [La balance des paiements et la position extérieure](#)

Session 4: Exchange Rate and Exchange Rate Regimes (SD)

Dominique Plihon - Les taux de change (La Decouverte)

Session 5: Sovereign debt issues (AS)

IMF book chapter, [Sovereign debt: challenges ahead](#)

Session 6: The euro area construction (AS)

Jeffrey Frieden and Stefanie Walter, [Understanding the Political Economy of the Eurozone Crisis](#)

Session 7: The euro area construction (SD)

Baldwin, Giavazzi, [The Eurozone Crisis: A Consensus View of the Causes and a Few Possible Solutions](#)

Session 8: Globalization and Inequalities (SD)

B. Milanovic – Global Inequality, a new approach for the age of Globalization

Session 9: International finance and the dollar hegemony (AS)

FED paper, [The International Role of the U.S. Dollar](#)

Adam Tooze, [The rise and fall of US financial Empire](#), Foreign Policy

Session 10: Climate change economics in an international perspective (AS)

IMF. 2021 [Reaching Net Zero Emissions: Report for G20](#), International Monetary Fund,

Session 11: Macroeconomic Impacts of Covid-19 (SD)

Session 12: Wrap up / Follow up questions