Many important facets of our daily lives are influenced by the global economy (trade, currency trading, capital flows). This course examines the manner in which the global economy is deeply intertwined with politics as governments seek both to shape it and respond effectively to the constraints and opportunities it provides. We will explore the recent history of the world economy and contemporary issues such as the causes and effects of globalization and the role of international institutions (GATT, WTO, IMF, WB) in the world economy.

Attendance is mandatory.

Required Texts:
I have assigned two books for the class, neither of which I have ordered in local bookstores. You will have to procure them yourself.


Course requirements and grading standards: Grades will be based on class attendance and participation (20% of the grade), one in-class midterm (35%) and an in-class final (45%).

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Disability Services

Students with disabilities that have been certified by the Office for Disability Services will be appropriately accommodated, and should inform the instructor as soon as possible of their needs. The Office for Disability Services is located in 150 Pomerene Hall, 1760 Neil Avenue; telephone 292-3307, TDD 292-0901; http://www.ods.ohio-state.edu/.
Jan. 3. Presentation

Jan. 5. Domestic Politics of Trade: Basics
Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 3-4
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 1

Jan. 10. Industrial Policy and Trade Adjustment Assistance
Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 5
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 2

Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 6-7

Jan. 19. The World Trading Institutions
Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 2
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 3-4

Jan. 24. FDI and MNCs
Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 8-9
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 6-8

Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 16
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 5, 14-15

Jan. 31. Economic Sanctions

Feb. 2. Aid to Development
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 12

Feb 7. Review

Feb 9. Midterm

Feb 14. Currency Basics
Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 10-11

Feb. 16. The Keynesian Era
Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 12

Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 13

Feb. 23. Debt Crises: Latin America, Asia, Europe
Oatley, *IPE*, ch. 14-15
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 13

Feb. 28. The Rise and Demise of Financial Markets Part I

March 2. The 2008 The Rise and Demise of Financial Markets Part 2

March 7. Financial Regulatory Reform
Oatley, *Debates*, ch. 10, 16

March 9. Review