

**PO 5008: International Political Economy**

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**Aims and Objectives**

This is a graduate module that provides students with a critical overview of the study of International Political Economy. It aims to show how it evolved as a distinct study in its own right and introduce students to the main theoretical approaches used within the subject. It looks at the rise of the neoliberal ideological discourse and at areas such as trade, development, the economic crisis, inequality, regionalism and resistance.



**Contents**

The module:

- 1) Outlines the historical emergence of the study of International Political Economy
- 2) Illustrate the different theoretical and methodological traditions that exist within International Political Economy
- 3) Analyses key functional areas such as trade, monetary governance and development
- 4) Look at forms of alternatives and possible transformation of the International Political Economy

**Core Readings**

Palan, R (2013) *Global Political Economy*. London: Routledge  
O'Brien and Williams, M. (2007) *Global Political Economy*, London: Routledge  
Cohen, B. (2008) *International Political Economy*, Princeton University Press  
Shields, S, Bruff, I and MacCartney, H (2012) *Critical International Political Economy*, Palgrave