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Graduate Seminar/Hauptseminar: International Relations Theory.

3 SWS, 7 LP Doppeldipl./Master Course Twente, 8 ECTS Hauptseminar Münster

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This seminar is partially blocked. Die Veranstaltung ist teilweise geblockt. Dates/Termine Mondays/Montags in Enschede von 13.45 – 15.30, Tuesdays/Dienstags in Münster von 14.00 – 16.00, Room/Raum 365, Schloßplatz 7 (oder Äquivalent in der Scharnhorststrasse 100) Start 02.Oktober 2006 (Woche 40); Finish/Ende 19.Dezember 2006 (Woche 50); Written examinations by further appointment/Klausurtermine nach näherer Absprache in Woche 50. Submittance of seminar papers/Abgabe der Hausarbeiten until/bis zum 8. Januar 2007 Language of instruction: English throughout

The study of international relations (IR) can be defined as the methodical thinking about the relations between political units in anarchical structures. A rough course outline starts with concepts of "theory" and their different epistemological validity criteria and methodological functions for understanding international relations. It then deals with the different ontologies IR theories produce; their premises, characteristics, and consequences. Hermeneutic, empirical, normative and critical approaches will be covered. In view of the intellectual history of IR as a Social Science the following debates will be dealt with more extensively: The first debate: Idealism versus Classical Realism; The second debate: Behaviourism versus Realism; The third debate: Pluralism versus Realism versus Radicalism; Syntheses and perfections: Neorealism; Neoliberalism & Globalism; Foreign Policy Analysis & the Agency/Structure debate; International Political Economy (IPE); the English School; Gender Studies; The fourth debate: Constructivism versus Positivism; Reflectivism; Post-modern Approaches. Students should gain a thorough knowledge of the epistemological premises, methodological ramifications, and ontological consequences of the grand theories of international relations. There will be oral presentations during the classes (supported by Power Point files), and a written examination at the end of the teaching block. Students will have to submit a substantial (ca. 20 – 25 pp) graduate seminar paper either discussing 'classics of IR' in the form of a book review also taking into account the academic discussion in the respective field, or discussing theoretical approaches, analytic frameworks, grand theories, and the like of their own choice.

Objective: To make the student familiar with the intellectual history of IR in terms of its major debates

Study material: John Baylis/Steve Smith (eds.): The Globalization of World Politics. An Introduction

to International Relations. 3rd ed. Oxford: Oxford UP 2004 [Please buy/use ONLY the THIRD EDITION !]

Assessment: Written exam on parts 1, 2 & 3 of Baylis & Smith; substantial seminar paper/ book review about an IR Classic (list available at the beginning of the seminar or earlier) or a specific theoretical approach; class presentation based on a chapter in parts 4 & 5 of Baylis/Smith (preferably on Power Point, otherwise based on two – to three-page handout)

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Graduate Seminar/Hauptseminar: International Organisations and the Developing World/ Die Rolle internationaler Organisationen in der Entwicklungspolitik 3 SWS, 8 ECTS
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Blockseminar 14. – 19. November 2006, Europahaus Bad Marienberg, Bad Marienberg/Ww. mit Exkursionen zum BMZ und diversen NGOs nach Bonn und Köln, ggfs. zur GTZ nach Eschborn/Ts., und zur KfW nach Frankfurt/Main
Language of instruction: German, English optional

Entwicklungszusammenarbeit wird in der wissenschaftlichen wie auch der medialen Betrachtung häufig als ein durch die Geberseite nationalstaatlich definiertes Politikfeld wahrgenommen, welches allenfalls in Katastrophenfällen durch eine eingehendere Betrachtung der spezifischen Problemlagen in den Ländern des Südens ergänzt wird. Allerdings machen die vielschichtigen Diskurse über Globalisierung und Global Governance deutlich, dass der Blick durch die nationale Brille keineswegs ausreichend ist. Zur Bearbeitung der komplexen sozialen, ökonomischen und ökologischen Entwicklungsprobleme des Südens bedarf es international vernetzter Strategien, und in diesem Kontext erlangt die Arbeit bestimmter Internationaler Organisationen und supranationaler Akteure besondere Bedeutung.

Den Schwerpunkt des Seminars bildet folglich die Analyse der Konzepte und Handlungsweisen von Akteuren wie dem UNDP, den internationalen Finanzinstitutionen (IWF, Weltbank), regionaler Entwicklungsbanken, dem Development Assistance Cttee. der OECD und der Europäischen Union. Insbesondere soll gefragt werden, wie und wie viel dieser Konzepte und Handlungsoptionen tatsächlich, und mit welchem Erfolg, umgesetzt worden sind.

Zum ersten Überblick:

Volker Rittberger/Bernhard Zangl: Internationale Organisationen – Politik und Geschichte. Europäische und weltweite internationale Zusammenschlüsse. 3. Aufl. Opladen 2003

Franz Nuscheler: Lern- und Arbeitsbuch Entwicklungspolitik. Vollst. überarb. 5. Aufl. Bonn – Bad Godesberg 200

www.epo.de - Entwicklungspolitik online

<https://www.diversitas.org/db/x.php> - Linkliste Union of International Organisations

<http://www.weltpolitik.net/Sachgebiete/Globale%20Zukunftsfragen/Entwicklungspolitik/> - Überblick und Bibliographie

Weitere Hinweise zur Anmeldung usw. zu Beginn des WS auf der Doppeldiplom-Website unter „Aktuelles“

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Graduate Seminar/Hauptseminar: The Regional and Structural Policy of the European Union Part I: Introduction to the Policy Area and Role Game Simulation of Agenda Setting and

Decision-Making. Seminar in cooperation with the Faculty of European Studies, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj- Napoca. Block Seminar, Franz-Hitze-Haus Münster, December 2 – 8, 2006. Language of Instruction: English throughout 3 SWS, 8 ECTS
Prof. Dr. Dr.h.c. Reinhard Meyers & RO Colleagues

Graduate Seminar/Hauptseminar: Human Factors Analysis of Individual, Group, and Organizational Decision Making Processes. Methodological Introduction and Participant Observation in a Role Game. Block Seminar, Franz-Hitze-Haus Münster, December 2 – 8, 2006 Language of Instruction: English throughout 3SWS, 8 ECTS
Prof. Dr. Dr.h.c. Reinhard Meyers, Dr. Markus Bresinsky

Graduate Seminar/Hauptseminar: The Regional and Structural Policy of the European Union, Part II: Practical Program Applications in the Münsterland and the Province of Twente. Block Seminar, December 9 – 16, 2006. Conditional upon extra DAAD finance granted. Language of Instruction: English & German 3 SWS, 8 ECTS
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This group of seminars forms a common project block. Subject-wise, we deal with the development and execution of the Structural and Regional Policy of the European Union. The intention is to show our Romanian colleagues, after a general introduction into the field and a special role-game approach to agenda setting and decision-making in Regional Policy, what they can expect in the future on the basis of a number of examples from the Münsterland, the Province of Twente, and the Euregio (extra DAAD finance for the project assumed). The Block I seminar is combined with a Methods Seminar using the preparation for and the actual execution of the role game as its study material. Both seminars run concurrently: participants in the one cannot therefore participate in the other. The more theoretical orientation of the first week is augmented by a practical orientation in the second: we shall arrange for a number of visits to recipients of Regional and Structural aid in order to find out what their experiences with this EU policy instrument are.

The methods seminar addresses the sophisticated research task of analyzing decision making and problem solving in a complex scenario. In order to understand and explain the outcome of political processes determined by individual action regulation, team collaboration and organizational structures a specific method of field observation, categorization, and case-based analysis is needed. The aim of the seminar is to elaborate and demonstrate the method, the special requirements, and skills needed for that kind of analysis. Elements of the methods are e.g. communication analysis, observation of work performance and team effectiveness, interviews with role game participants concerning their evaluation of communication and team performance, etc. The empirical input for the analytic exercise will be provided by the role game in the Part I seminar. Therefore, students have to make a firm commitment to one of the two seminars: they cannot take part in both at the same time. Additional information on the methods seminar supplied by Dr. Bresinsky under bresinsky@iabg.de

Please consult the Double Diploma website for further information nearer the actual events.