

PSCI 4105A : Selected Problems in Third World Development

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Course Description: This course examines select development issues that have recently occupied the attention of policymakers, development practitioners, students, and observers of Third World development. The main aims of the course are to help students develop a critical understanding of the problems, obstacles and difficulties arising out of development processes, and to apply the theoretical knowledge acquired in previous courses to the analysis of concrete problems and processes of development.

Textbook and Readings: There are no textbooks for this course. Readings taken from books are on reserve at MacOdrum Library. Journal articles can be obtained through Carleton's e-journal portal, or will be available on reserve if not accessible through the internet.

Evaluation:

Participation	20%	
Seminar Presentation	10%	
Position Paper	20%	
Research Paper Outline	10%	(due March 6)
Research Paper	40%	(due April 3)

Participation: Students are expected to come prepared to class and contribute to seminar discussions. You must complete all required readings prior to each class. Evaluation will be based on attendance (5%), and the quantity (7.5%) and quality (7.5%) of your interventions in class. If you do not keep up with the readings, you will not extract maximum value out of the seminar.

Seminar Presentation: During the first session (introduction), students will be asked to sign up for a topic of their interest. Depending on class enrolment, two to three students will be responsible for one seminar topic. Each week, students will present the readings in an analytical rather than descriptive fashion. Each individual presentation should be roughly 15 minutes (conference format). Students are also asked to develop a list of relevant questions for discussion, and to submit these questions to the instructor before the class.

Position Paper: Students will write one position paper (5-7 pages, double-spaced) based on a weekly topic of their choice. However, this topic should not be the same as the seminar presentation topic. This paper should discuss the major issues that were brought up in the readings, and critically engage the different arguments presented in the readings and assess their validity. The paper must be submitted in person at the beginning of the class to which it corresponds.

Research Paper Outline: Students are required to develop a short (1-2 page) outline of the research paper, containing the title, research question, the organization of the paper, an indication of some of the relevant literature, a summary of the argument, and a select bibliography. This outline must be submitted to the instructor by March 6.

Research Paper: Students will write a longer research paper (16-20 pages, double-spaced) on a topic directly related to the course. This assignment will be graded based on the quality of your research and analysis, coherence and originality of your argument, clarity of writing, and organization of the paper. The research paper is due on April 3.

Late Assignments Penalty: There is a late penalty of **2% per day** (including weekends) for all assignments handed in after the due date. Please do not slide assignments under the office door but use the departmental drop box if you are unable to hand in your assignment during class. Please note that assignments sent via email or fax will not be accepted.

Course Outline

Week 1 (Jan. 9) Introduction – What is development and what are development problems?

Part I Select Agents of Development

Week 2 (Jan. 16) International Financial Institutions (IFIs): Evolution of Policy Paradigms and Instruments

Changing Policy Paradigms

Mosley, P. *et al* (1995). *Aid and Power: The World Bank and Policy-based Lending*, 2nd edition, Routledge: London, chapter 1 and 2.

Pender, J. (2001). “From Structural Adjustment to Comprehensive Development Framework: Conditionality Transformed?”, *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.22, No.3, pp.397-411.

Hanlon, J. (2000). “Power Without Responsibility: the World Bank & Mozambican Cashew Nuts”, *Review of African Political Economy*, Vol.27, No.83, pp.29-45.

Reforming or Abolishing the IFIs?

Bird, G. (2001). “A Suitable Case for Treatment: Understanding the Ongoing Case about the IMF”, *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.22, No.5, pp.823-848.

Bond, P. (2004). "Should the World Bank and IMF be 'Fixed' or 'Nixed'? Reformist Posturing and Popular Resistance", *Capitalism, Nature, Socialism*, Vol.15, No.2, pp.85-105.

Additional Readings:

Stiglitz, J. (2002). *Globalization and its Discontents*, New York: Norton, chapter 1.

World Bank (2005). *World Development Report: Equity and Development*,
www.worldbank.org.

Teichman, J. (2004). "The World Bank and Policy Reform in Mexico and Argentina",
Latin American Politics and Society, Vol. 46, No.1, pp.39-74.

Campbell, B. (2000). "New Rules of the Game: The World Bank's Role in the Construction of a New Normative Framework for States, Markets, and Social Exclusion", *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, Vol.21, No.1, pp.7-30.

Bienefeld, M. (2000). "Structural Adjustment: Debt Collection Device or Development Policy?", *Review: Ferdinand Braudel Center*, Binghamton University, Binghamton NY, vol.XXIII, no.4, pp. 533-587.

Stiglitz, J. (2000). "What I learned at the World Economic Crisis", *The New Republic*
<http://www.mindfully.org/WTO/Joseph-Stiglitz-IMF17apr00.htm>

Week 3 (Jan. 23) The Foreign Aid Regime

The Aid Industry: Past and Present

Hancock, G. (1989). *Lords of Poverty*, London: MacMillan, Part II and Conclusion.

Larsen, T. and D. Skidmore (1997). "Foreign Aid and Third World Development",
In *International Political Economy*, New York: Harcourt Brace College Publishers, chapter 10, pp.273-303.

Therien, P. and C. Llyod (2000). "Development Assistance on the Brink", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol. 21, No.1, pp.21-38.

Aid as Development Catalyst or Imperialist Tool?

Pronk, J. (2001). "Aid As Catalyst", *Development and Change*, Vol. 32, No.4, pp.611-29.

Petras, J. and H. Veltemeyer (2002). "Age of Reverse Aid: Neoliberalism as Catalyst of Regression", *Development and Change*, Vol.33, No.2, pp.281-293.

Additional Readings:

Pratt, C. (2003). "Can Development Assistance Help?", In R. Sandbrook (ed.), *Civilizing Globalization: A Survival Guide*, New York: SUNY Press, pp.167-80.

Earthscan (1994 to 2005), *The Reality of Aid Report* (available online at:
www.realityofaid.org).

Bauer, P. (1985). *Reality and Rhetoric: Studies in the Economics of Development*,
London: Weidenfeld.

Special issue of *Development and Change* on the Aid Regime (Vol.33, No.2, 2002).

Islam, M. (2005). "Regime Changes, Economic Policies and the Effect of Aid on Growth.", *Journal of Development Studies*, Vol.41, No.8, pp.467-92.

Week 4 (Jan. 30) States, Markets, and Civil Society

State- vs. Market-led Development Strategies

- Page, J. (1994). "The East Asian Miracle: An Introduction", *World Development*, Vol.22, No.4, pp.615-625, at: <http://www.nabor.fr/oaw/oaw204/download/page.pdf>
- Dietz, J. (1992). "Overcoming Underdevelopment: What has been learned form East Asia and Latin American Experiences", *Journal of Economic Issues*, Vol.26, No.2, pp.373-83.

Social Capital – Back to the Market?

- Harris, J. (1997). "Missing Link or Analytically Missing? The Concept of Social Capital", *Journal of International Development*, Vol.9, No.7, pp.919-37.
- Fine, B. (1999). "The Development State Is Dead – Long Live Social Capital", *Development and Change*, Vol.30, No.1, pp.1-19.

Additional Readings:

- Fine, B. (2000). *Social Capital Versus Social Theory: Political Economy and Social Science at the Turn of the Millennium*, London: Routledge.
- Halpern, D. (2005). *Social Capital*, Cambridge: Polity Press, chapter 1.
- Fox, J. (1997). "The World Bank and Social Capital: Contesting the Concept in Practice", *Journal of International Development*, Vol.9, No.7, pp.963-71.
- MacDonald, L. (1997). *Supporting Civil Society: The Political Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Central America*, London: MacMillan Press.
- Wade, R. (1990). *Governing the Market, Economic Theory and the Role of Government in East Asian Industrialization*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, chapter 1.
- Bienefeld, M. (1988). "The Newly Industrializing Countries and their Significance for the Development Debate", *Studies in Political Economy*, No.25 (Spring), pp.7-39.

Part II: Select Structures of Development

Week 5 (Feb. 6) Productive Capital and International Structures of Production

The New International Division of Labour – Reality or Hype?

- Jenkins, R. (1985). "Latin America and the new Division of Labour", In Lewis, C. (ed.), *Latin America, Economic Imperialism and the State*, London: Athlone Press.
- Mittelman, J. (1994). "Rethinking the International Division of Labour in the Context of Globalization", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.16, No.2, pp.273-96.
- Veltmeyer, H. (1999). "The World Economy and Labour", *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, Vol.20, No.1, pp.689-716.

Foreign Direct Investment – Exploiting or Helping the Poor?

- Lall, S. and R. Narula (2004). "Foreign Direct Investment and its Role in Development: Do We Need a New Agenda?", *European Journal of Development Research*, Vol.16, No.3, pp.447-464.
- Chang, H.-J. (2004). "Regulation of Foreign Investment in Historical Perspective",

European Journal of Development Research, Vol.16, No.3, pp.687-715.

Additional Readings:

Lipietz, A. (1997). "The post-Fordist World: Labour Relations, International Hierarchy and Global Ecology", *Review of International Political Economy*, Vol.4, No.1, pp.1-41.

Fredriksson, T. (2003), "Forty Years of UNCTAD Research on FDI", *Transnational Corporations*, Vol. 12, No.3, available at:
http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/iteit35v12n3a1_en.pdf

Nunnenkamp, P. (2004). "To What Extend Can Foreign Direct Investment Help Achieve International Development Goals?", *World Economy*, Vol. 27, No.5, pp.657-77.

Donaghu, M. and R. Barff (1990). "Nike Just Did It: International Subcontracting and Flexibility in Athletic Footwear Production", *Regional Studies*, Vol.24, No.6, pp.537-52.

Special Issue of *Journal of Development Studies* on labour market change under structural adjustment, Vol.36, No.4.

Special Issue of *European Journal of Development Research* on FDI's, Vol.16, No.3.

Week 6 (Feb. 13) Financial Capital and the International Financial Architecture

Financial Liberalization

World Bank (1999/00) *World Development Report*, The Global Financial System, available at: <http://www.worldbank.org/wdr/2000/pdfs/chap3.pdf>

Stiglitz, J.E. (2002). "Capital Market Liberalization, Economic Growth, and Instability", available at: http://www2.gsb.columbia.edu/ipd/sept/CML_JES_Instability.pdf

Financial Crises and Re-Regulation

Wade, R. (1998). The Asian Debt-and-Development Crisis of 1997-?: Causes and Consequences, *World Development*, Vol.26, No.8, pp.1535-53.

Aghevli, B. (1999). "The Asian Crisis: Causes and Remedies", *Finance and Development*, pp.28-31.

Soederberg, S. (2002). "On the Contradictions of the New International Financial Architecture", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.23, No.4, pp.607-20.

Additional Readings:

Picciotto, S. and J. Haines, "Regulating Global Financial Markets", *Journal of Law and Society*, Vol.26, No.3, pp.351-68.

Strange, S. (1998). *Mad Money: When Markets Outgrow Governments*, Ann Arbor, esp. chapter 6.

Eichengreen, B. and M. Mussa (1998). "Capital Account Liberalization and the IMF", *Finance and Development*, Vol.35, No.4.

Jenkins, R. (1987) *Transnational Corporations and Uneven Development: The Internationalization of Capital*, London: Methuen, esp. chapter 3.

February 20, Reading week, no class! Time to catch up on your readings!

Week 7 (Feb 27) Commercial Capital and International Trade Structures

From GATT to WTO: Trade Patterns - Past and Present

Khor, M. (2001). "How the South is Getting a Raw Deal At the WTO", in Anderson, S. (ed.), *Views from the South: The Effects of Globalization and the WTO on Third World Countries*, London: Food First Books.

World Bank (1999/2000). *World Development Report, The World Trading System*, available at: <http://www.worldbank.org/wdr/2000/pdfs/chap2.pdf>

Trade Liberalization – A Good Idea?

Panagariya, A. (2003). "International Trade", *Foreign Policy*, Vol. 139, pp.20-26.

UNDP (2003). *Making Global Trade Work for People*, chapter 1 and 2, <http://www.undp.org/mdg/globaltrade.pdf>

Wade, R. (2003). "What Strategies are Viable for Developing Countries Today? The World Trade Organization and the Shrinking of 'Development Space'", *Review of International Political Economy*, Vol.10, No.4, pp.621-44.

Additional Readings:

Dollar, D. (1995). "Outward-Oriented Developing Economies Really Do Grow More Rapidly", *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, Vol.40, No.3, pp.523-44.

Rodrik, D. (2001). The Global Governance of Trade as If Development Really Mattered, <http://www.servicesforall.org/html/Governance/RodrikTrade%20&%20Development.pdf>

Oxfam (2002). *Rigged Rules and Double Standard: Trade, Globalization, and the Fight against Poverty*, http://www.maketrade-fair.com/assets/english/report_english.pdf

Raghavan, C. (2000). "After Seattle World Trade System Faces Uncertain Future", *Review of International Political Economy*, Vol.7, No.3, pp.495-504.

Blowfield, M. (1999). "Ethical Trade: A Review of Developments and Issues", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.20, No.4, pp.753-70.

Part III: Select Problems in Development

Week 8 (March 6) The Debt Crisis and its Impact on Development

Origins and Trajectory of the Debt Crisis

Sachs, J. (1989). *Developing Country Debt and the World Economy*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, pp.1-33.

Alemayehu, G. (2003). "The Historical Origins of African Debt Crisis", *Eastern Africa Social Science Research Review*, Vol.19, No.1, pp.59-89.

Soederberg, S. (2005). "The Transnational Debt Architecture and Emerging Markets: the Politics of Paradoxes and Punishment", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.26, No.6, pp.927-49.

The Debt Regime Revisited: Debt Relief in the new Millennium

Evans, H. (1999). "Debt Relief for the Poorest Countries: Why Did It Take so Long?", *Development Policy Review*, Vol.17, No.3, pp.267-79.

Hertz, N. (2005). "Why We Must Defuse the Debt Threat", *Contributions to Political*

Economy, Vol.24, pp.123-33.
Ambrose, S. (1999). Multilateral Debt: The Unbearable Burden, Foreign Policy Briefing, available at: <http://www.fpiif.org/pdf/vol6/37ifmultidebt.pdf>

Additional Readings:

Strange, S. (1998). "The New World of Debt", *New Left Review*, Vol.230, No.91, pp.91-114.
Singer, H. (1989). *Economic Development and World Debt*, Basingstoke: MacMillan.
Corbridge, S. (1993). *Debt and Development*, Oxford: Blackwell.
Serieux, J.E. (2001). "Debt of the Poorest Countries: Anatomy of a Crisis Kept on Hold", *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, Vo.22, No.2, pp.305-43.

Week 9 (March 13) New Governance Structures

Good Governance and Development

Abrahamson, R. (2000). *Disciplining Democracy: Development Discourse and Good Governance in Africa*, New York: Zed Books, chapter 3 and 7.
Weiss, T. (2000). "Governance, Good Governance and Global Governance", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.21, No.5, pp.795-814.
World Bank (1997). World Development Report: The State in a Changing World, overview, <http://www.worldbank.org/html/extpb/wdr97/english/wdr97eng.pdf>

Participation and Empowerment

Williams, G. (2004). "Evaluating Participatory Development: Tyranny, Power, and (Re-)Politization", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.25, No.3, pp.557-578.
Kohl, B. (2002). "Stabilizing Neoliberalism in Bolivia: Popular Participation and Privatization", *Political Geography*, Vol.21, No.4, pp.449-72.

Additional Readings:

Stiglitz, J. (2002). "Participation and Development: Perspectives from the Comprehensive Development Paradigm", *Review of Development Economics*, Vol.6, No.2, pp.163-182.
Narayan, D. et al (2000). *Voices of the Poor: Can Anyone Hear Us?* New York, N.Y.: Published for the World Bank, Oxford University Press.
Cornwall, A. and K. Brock (2005). "What Do Buzzwords Do For Development Policy? A Critical look at 'Participation', 'Empowerment' and 'Poverty Reduction'", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.26, No.7, pp.1043-80.
Hearn, J. (2000). "Aiding Democracy? Donors and Civil Society in South Africa", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.21, No.5, pp.815-30.
Cooke, B. and U. Kothari (2001). *Participation: The New Tyranny?*, London: Zed Books.

Week 10 (March 20) The Environment and Development

Sustainable Development – The Death of a Concept?

Shamsul, M. (1999). “The Fate of Sustainable Development under Neo-liberal Regimes In Developing Countries”, *International Political Science Review*, Vol.20, No.2, pp.197-218.

Worldwrite (2002). “Time to Ditch the Sustainababble”, available at: http://www.worldwrite.org.uk/worldwrite_WSSD.pdf

The Political Economy of Water

Allouche, J. and M. Finger (2001). “Two Ways of Reasoning, One Outcome: The World Bank’s Evolving Philosophy in Establishing a Sustainable Water Resource Management Policy”, *Global Environmental Politics*, Vol.1, No.2, pp.42-47.

Bayliss, K. (2003). Utility Privatization in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Case Study of Water, *Journal of Modern African Studies*, Vol.41, No.4, pp.507-31.

Assies, W. (2003). “David versus Goliath in Cochabamba: Water Rights, Neoliberalism, and the Revival of Social Protest”, *Latin American Perspectives*, Vol.30, No.3, pp.14-36.

Additional Readings:

Broad, R. (1994). “The Poor and the Environment: Friends or Foes?”, *World Development*, Vol.22, No.6, pp.811-22.

Budds, J. and G. MacGranahan (2003). “Are the Debates on Water Privatization Missing the Point? Experiences from Africa, Asia, and Latin America”, *Environment and Urbanization*, Vol.15, No.2, pp.87-113.

Shiva, V. (2002). *Water Wars: Privatization, Pollution, and Profit*, Toronto: Between the Lines.

World Bank (2004). *Water Resources Sector Strategy: Strategic Directions for World Bank Engagement*, Washington: World Bank (esp. executive summary).

Week 11 (March 27) Globalization, Poverty and Inequality

Poverty and Inequality in the New Millennium

World Bank (2000/2001). *World Development Report, Attacking Poverty*, chapter 1 and 2, available at:

<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTPOVERTY/Resources/WDR/English-Full-Text-Report/ch1.pdf>

<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTPOVERTY/Resources/WDR/English-Full-Text-Report/ch2.pdf>

Wade, R. (2004). “Is Globalization Reducing Poverty and Inequality”, *International Journal of Health Services*, Vol.34, No.3, pp.381-414.

Poverty Reduction—Old Wine in New Bottles?

Cammack, P. (2004). “What the World Bank Means by Poverty Reduction, and Why it Matters”, *New Political Economy*, Vol.9, No.2, pp.189-211.

Driscoll, R and A. Evans (2005). “Second Generation Poverty Reduction Strategies: New Opportunities and Emerging Issues”, *Development Policy Review*, Vol.23, No.1, pp.5-25.

Additional Readings:

- Ravallion, M. (2003). "The Debate on Globalization, Poverty, and Inequality, Why Measurement Matters", *International Affairs*, Vol.70, No.3, pp.739-53.
- Weber, H. (2004). "Reconstituting the 'Third World'? Poverty Reduction and Territoriality in the Global Politics of Development", *Third World Quarterly*, Vol. 25, No.1, pp.187-206.
- Sen, A. (2000). *Development as Freedom*, New York: Anchor Books, esp. chapter 4.
- Illich, I. (1997). "Development as Planned Poverty", In Rahnema, M. and V. Bawtree, *The Post-Development Reader*, London: Zed Books.
- Rückert, A. (2006). "(Re-)producing Neoliberal Hegemony? The Poverty Reduction Strategy in Nicaragua", forthcoming in *Studies in Political Economy*, available at: www.cpsa-acsp.ca/papers-2005/Rückert.pdf

Week 12 (April 3) Development Alternatives or Alternatives to Development?

- Escobar, A. (1992). "Reflections on Development: Grassroots Approaches and Alternative Politics in the Third World", *Futures*, Vol.24, No.5, pp.411-34.
- Corbridge, S. (1998). "Beneath the Pavement Only Soil: The Poverty of Post-Development", *Journal of Development Studies*, Vol.34, No.6, pp.138-149.
- Levi, M. and A. Linton (2003). "Fair Trade: A Cup at a Time", *Politics and Society*, Vol. 31, No.3, pp.407-32.
- Seoane, J and E. Taddei (2002). "From Seattle to Porto Alegre: The Anti-Neoliberal Globalization Movement", *Current Sociology*, Vol.50, No.1, pp.99-122.

Academic Accommodations

For Students with Disabilities: Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course are encouraged to contact the Paul Menton Centre (PMC) for Students with Disabilities (500 University Centre) to complete the necessary forms. After registering with the PMC, make an appointment to meet with the instructor in order to discuss your needs **at least two weeks before the first in-class test or CUTV midterm exam**. This will allow for sufficient time to process your request. Please note the following deadlines for submitting completed forms to the PMC for formally scheduled exam accommodations: **November 7th, 2005** for fall and fall/winter term courses, and **March 10, 2006** for winter term courses.

For Religious Observance: Students requesting accommodation for religious observances should apply in writing to their instructor for alternate dates and/or means of satisfying academic requirements. Such requests should be made during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist, but no later than two weeks before the compulsory academic event. Accommodation is to be worked out directly and on an individual basis between the student and the instructor(s) involved. Instructors will make accommodations in a way that avoids academic disadvantage to the student. Instructors and students may contact an Equity Services Advisor for assistance (www.carleton.ca/equity).

For Pregnancy: Pregnant students requiring academic accommodations are encouraged to contact an Equity Advisor in Equity Services to complete a *letter of accommodation*. Then, make

an appointment to discuss your needs with the instructor at least two weeks prior to the first academic event in which it is anticipated the accommodation will be required.

Plagiarism: The Undergraduate Calendar defines plagiarism as: "to use and pass off as one's own idea or product, work of another without expressly giving credit to another." The Graduate Calendar states that plagiarism has occurred when a student either: (a) directly copies another's work without acknowledgment; or (b) closely paraphrases the equivalent of a short paragraph or more without acknowledgment; or (c) borrows, without acknowledgment, any ideas in a clear and recognizable form in such a way as to present them as the student's own thought, where such ideas, if they were the student's own would contribute to the merit of his or her own work. Instructors who suspect plagiarism are required to submit the paper and supporting documentation to the Departmental Chair who will refer the case to the Dean. It is not permitted to hand in the same assignment to two or more courses. The Department's Style Guide is available at: www.carleton.ca/polisci/undergrad/styleguide.pdf

Oral Examination: At the discretion of the instructor, students may be required to pass a brief oral examination on research papers and essays.

Submission and Return of Term Work: Papers must be handed directly to the instructor and will not be date-stamped in the departmental office. Late assignments may be submitted to the drop box in the corridor outside B640 Loeb. Assignments will be retrieved every business day at 4 p.m., stamped with that day's date, and then distributed to the instructor. For essays not returned in class please attach a **stamped, self-addressed envelope** if you wish to have your assignment returned by mail. Please note that assignments sent via fax or email will not be accepted. Final exams are intended solely for the purpose of evaluation and will not be returned.

Approval of final grades: Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor, *subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean.*

Course Requirements: Students must fulfill all course requirements in order to achieve a passing grade. Failure to hand in any assignment will result in a grade of F. Failure to write the final exam will result in a grade of ABS. FND (Failure – No Deferred) is assigned when a student's performance is so poor during the term that they cannot pass the course even with 100% on the final examination. In such cases, instructors may use this notation on the Final Grade Report to indicate that a student has already failed the course due to inadequate term work and should not be permitted access to a deferral of the examination. Deferred final exams are available **ONLY** if the student is in good standing in the course.

Connect Email Accounts: The Department of Political Science strongly encourages students to sign up for a campus email account. Important course and University information will be distributed via the Connect email system. See <http://connect.carleton.ca> for instructions on how to set up your account.