

Tamkang University Academic Year 106, 1st Semester Course Syllabus

Course Title	GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS	Instructor	BIEDERMANN REINHARD PETER
Course Class	TQGX B4A DEPARTMENT OF GLOBAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS (ENGLISH-TAUGHT PROGRAM), 4A	Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Selective ◆ One Semester ◆ 2 Credits
D e p a r t m e n t a l A i m o f E d u c a t i o n			
<p>To be equipped with a basic knowledge of economics and political science, to develop confidence in communicating professionally and academically in English in matters related to the global political economy; to acquire the capability to conduct further research individually and collectively with others; and ultimately to prepare oneself to become professionals and leaders with a global perspective for the international arena.</p>			
D e p a r t m e n t a l c o r e c o m p e t e n c e s			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Provide essential analytical abilities in the area of politics and economics B. Provide knowledge and skills to understand the current global issues C. Develop a high level of proficiency in verbal and written English required in the course of study and for communication purposes D. Develop ability to pursue research independently as well as in teams E. Provide basic knowledge on Taiwan's political and economic development 			
Course Introduction	<p>Until the 1980s, most governments regarded global environmental problems as minor issues, marginal both to their core national interests and to international politics. With the rise of environmental movements in the industrialized countries and the appearance of well-publicized global environmental threats that could profoundly affect the welfare of all humankind - such as the depletion of the ozone layer or global climate change, this situation has changed. The course analyzes major political, economic and environmental trends underlying the emergence of global environmental politics.</p>		

The Relevance among Teaching Objectives, Objective Levels and Departmental core competences

I. Objective Levels (select applicable ones) :

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| (i) Cognitive Domain | : C1-Remembering, C2-Understanding, | C3-Applying, |
| | C4-Analyzing, C5-Evaluating, | C6-Creating |
| (ii) Psychomotor Domain | : P1-Imitation, P2-Mechanism, | P3-Independent Operation, |
| | P4-Linked Operation, P5-Automation, | P6-Origination |
| (iii) Affective Domain | : A1-Receiving, A2-Responding, | A3-Valuing, |
| | A4-Organizing, A5-Charaterizing, | A6-Implementing |

II. The Relevance among Teaching Objectives, Objective Levels and Departmental core competences :

- (i) Determine the objective level(s) in any one of the three learning domains (cognitive, psychomotor, and affective) corresponding to the teaching objective. Each objective should correspond to the objective level(s) of ONLY ONE of the three domains.
- (ii) If more than one objective levels are applicable for each learning domain, select the highest one only. (For example, if the objective levels for Cognitive Domain include C3, C5, and C6, select C6 only and fill it in the boxes below. The same rule applies to Psychomotor Domain and Affective Domain.)
- (iii) Determine the Departmental core competences that correspond to each teaching objective. Each objective may correspond to one or more Departmental core competences at a time. (For example, if one objective corresponds to three Departmental core competences: A, AD, and BEF, list all of the three in the box.)

No.	Teaching Objectives	Relevance	
		Objective Levels	Departmental core competences
1	The students shall get insight into latest developments in various global environmental regimes and learn how to analyze such regimes from different politico-economic social sciences theories perspectives. Students shall professionalize their skills in analysing international problems with sound international relations methodology.	A4	AB

Teaching Objectives, Teaching Methods and Assessment

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1	The students shall get insight into latest developments in various global environmental regimes and learn how to analyze such regimes from different politico-economic social sciences theories perspectives. Students shall professionalize their skills in analysing international problems with sound international relations methodology.	Lecture, Discussion, Problem solving	Written test, Participation

This course has been designed to cultivate the following essential qualities in TKU students

Essential Qualities of TKU Students	Description
◆ A global perspective	Helping students develop a broader perspective from which to understand international affairs and global development.
◇ Information literacy	Becoming adept at using information technology and learning the proper way to process information.
◆ A vision for the future	Understanding self-growth, social change, and technological development so as to gain the skills necessary to bring about one's future vision.
◇ Moral integrity	Learning how to interact with others, practicing empathy and caring for others, and constructing moral principles with which to solve ethical problems.
◆ Independent thinking	Encouraging students to keenly observe and seek out the source of their problems, and to think logically and critically.
◇ A cheerful attitude and healthy lifestyle	Raising an awareness of the fine balance between one's body and soul and the environment; helping students live a meaningful life.
◇ A spirit of teamwork and dedication	Improving one's ability to communicate and cooperate so as to integrate resources, collaborate with others, and solve problems.
◇ A sense of aesthetic appreciation	Equipping students with the ability to sense and appreciate aesthetic beauty, to express themselves clearly, and to enjoy the creative process.

Course Schedule

Week	Date	Subject/Topics	Note
1	106/09/18 ~ 106/09/24	Preparation	
2	106/09/25 ~ 106/10/01	Introduction: The Emergence of Global Environmental Politics	
3	106/10/02 ~ 106/10/08	Global Environmental Regimes and Globalisation: A paradigm Shift?	
4	106/10/09 ~ 106/10/15	Environmental Arena (I): State Actors, Interstate Actors, and Treaty Secretariats	
5	106/10/16 ~ 106/10/22	Environmental Arena (II): Nongovernmental Organizations and Corporations	
6	106/10/23 ~ 106/10/29	Air Pollution, Hazardous Wastes, and Toxic Chemicals	
7	106/10/30 ~ 106/11/05	Field Trip to National Maritime and Science Museum and Scenery in Keelung	November 1
8	106/11/06 ~ 106/11/12	Whaling, Trade in Endangered Species, Biodiversity	
9	106/11/13 ~ 106/11/19	Fisheries, Desertification, and Forests	
10	106/11/20 ~ 106/11/26	Midterm Exam Week	

11	106/11/27 ~ 106/12/03	Effective Environmental Regimes (I): Obstacles	
12	106/12/04 ~ 106/12/10	Effective Environmental Regimes (II): Opportunities	
13	106/12/11 ~ 106/12/17	North-South Inequalities and the Environment	
14	106/12/18 ~ 106/12/24	Development, Trade, and the Environment	
15	106/12/25 ~ 106/12/31	Globalization, Global Environment, and Global Environmental Governance	
16	107/01/01 ~ 107/01/07	Taiwan's Participation in Global and Transnational Environmental Governance Regimes	
17	107/01/08 ~ 107/01/14	Review and Summary	
18	107/01/15 ~ 107/01/21	Final Exam Week	
Requirement	If a student's class absence reaches one-third of the total class hours (in a semester) for a particular course, the course instructor will notify the Office of Academic Affairs, and the student will not be allowed to take part in the remaining course examinations and will receive a semester grade (for that course) of zero.		
Teaching Facility	Computer		
Textbook(s)	P. Chasek, D. Downie, J. Welsh Brown (2013), Global Environmental Politics, 5th edition, Westview Press, Philadelphia		
Reference(s)			
Number of Assignment(s)	4 (Filled in by assignment instructor only)		
Grading Policy	<p>◆ Attendance : 10.0 % ◆ Mark of Usual : 10.0 % ◆ Midterm Exam : 25.0 %</p> <p>◆ Final Exam : 35.0 %</p> <p>◆ Other (assignments) : 20.0 %</p>		
Note	<p>This syllabus may be uploaded at the website of Course Syllabus Management System at http://info.ais.tku.edu.tw/csp or through the link of Course Syllabus Upload posted on the home page of TKU Office of Academic Affairs at http://www.acad.tku.edu.tw/CS/main.php.</p> <p>※ Unauthorized photocopying is illegal. Using original textbooks is advised. It is a crime to improperly photocopy others' publications.</p>		