

Developing Countries of Global South in International Relations

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Requirements: Total 100 points

Assessment criteria	Max. number of points
Presentation/Seminar paper	30
Oral exam	60
Active attendance	10
Total	100

Description of requirements:

1. **Presentation:** short presentation for max. 25 minutes on selected topic. List of proposed topics is included in the lecture plan below. Presentations are to be sent for review at least 3 days before the scheduled presentation date.

alternatively can be replaced by

Seminar paper: 10-12 pages; topics to be agreed with the lecturer. Must refer well to resources, elaborate topics in an academic manner (intro incl. research question, analysis, conclusion)

Choose either seminar paper or presentation, do not do both!!! If you do not submit a seminar paper or hold a presentation you can not pass the course!

2. **Written final test = 60 points max.**
3. **Active attendance:** 1 bonus points for each seminar attended, max. **10 points** for semester, students are expected to actively participate in class discussions.

In case of online lectures, active attendance will be replaced by alternative assignment. More information will be provided once the lectures start.

Lecture plan

Lecture No.	Topic
1.	Global South, colonization and decolonization of Global South and their impact on development of the countries of the Global South
2.	Political problems of Global South – authoritarian regimes vs. democracy, freedom of speech, media freedom, corruption, fragile states
3.	Military problems of Global South – role of armies, regime instability, terrorism, separatism
4.	Economic and environmental problems of Global South – economic development, indebtedness, structural reforms, environmental problems of Global South (water resources, deforestation, desertification...)
5.	Social problems of Global South – ethnicity, population, role of religion, drugs, socioeconomic inequality...
6.	Middle East and North Africa as part of the Global South – main determinants of development, main problems and conflicts in the region
7.	Africa as part of the Global South – main determinants of development, main problems and conflicts in the region
8.	Asia as part of the Global South – main determinants of development, main problems and conflicts in the region
9.	Latin America as part of the Global South – main determinants of development, main problems and conflicts in the region
10.	Great powers and Global South – US, EU, Russia, China, India, Japan and their relation to countries of Global South
11.	International organizations and Global South – UN and regional organizations and Global South, BRICS...

Presentation topics

Lecture	Topic
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2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Impact of direct and indirect form of colonia administration on post-colonial development of Global South 2. French colonial empire and the current relations of France to its former colonies 3. British colonial empire and the current relations of Great Britain to its former colonies
3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Critical analysis of measurement of level of democracy in countries of Global South 5. Corruption in countries of Global South 6. Fragile states in Global South
4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Role of army in selected countries of Global South 8. Terrorist organizations in selected region of Global South 9. Separatism in Global South (selected region)
5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Economic problems of post-colonial development of countries of Global South 11. Responsibility of former colonial powers for economic development of their former colonies? 12. Major environmental problems of countries of Global South (selected region)
6	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. Population problems in countries of Global South (selected region) 14. Economic inequality in countries of Global South (selected region)
7	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 15. Civil wars in Middle East and North Africa – Syria, Libya, Yemen, Iraq 16. Religious problems in Middle East and North Africa 17. Israel among Arab countries of the Middle East and North Africa
8	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 18. Ethnicity as a source of conflicts in Africa 19. Natural resources as a source of conflicts in Africa
9	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 20. Main territorial disputes in Asia 21. Main social problems of selected Asian country of Global South
10	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 22. Drugs and Latin America (Mexico, Columbia) 23. Instability in Latin America (Venezuela, Bolivia, Cuba...)
11	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 24. China and Global South 25. US and Global South 26. Regional powers in Global South
12	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 27. UN and Global South 28. BRICS 29. Regional organizations in selected region of Global South

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