

<b>Module code</b>	INR616	<b>Level</b>	6
<b>Module title</b>	Money and Power	<b>Credit value</b>	20
<b>Core</b>	Core	<b>ECTS Credits</b>	10
		<b>Notional learning hours</b>	200
<b>Courses on which the module is taught</b>	BA (Hons) International Relations	<b>Teaching Period</b>	Spring

### 1. Module description

Our international environment is shaped by the interplay of economic, political, technological and cultural forces rippling through the world. Some converge and some collide, creating ever new challenges and opportunities for policymakers and active citizens to promote their own visions and solutions.

This module will explore institutions such as the International Monetary Fund, World Trade Organization and the World Bank, and consider some real-world case studies, such as China's accession to the WTO, the 2008 financial crisis, India and vaccines or the Greek bankruptcy. We will critically reflect on the role of the media in global politics and examine how this affects the distribution of wealth, politics and society.

In-class discussions, research and experiential learning, will develop a systemic understanding of the shifting global economic ecology. By exploring the intricate links between different processes and critically assessing policy alternatives, we will design solutions for contemporary challenges at both a global and local level.

### 2. Learning outcomes

*Upon successful completion of this module, you will be able to:*

#### **Innovation (MLO 02)**

create and implement value propositions for global political economic situations combining curiosity and creativity.

#### **Digital Data and Tools (MLO 06)**

appraise and utilise digital tools and data in professional and socio-economic contexts in international relations.

#### **Discipline Knowledge (MLO 07)**

critique and synthesise theories, concepts and facts in international political economy relevant to the task.

#### **Interdisciplinary Perspectives (MLO 09)**

integrate perspectives from economics, politics and international relations to analyse multifaceted real-world scenarios.

### 3. Learning and teaching methods

You will learn through a combination of seminars, workshops, discussions, role-playing exercises, readings, and group activities. In addition, you will participate in structured debates during the semester. In two teams, you will debate contemporary issues in the global political economy. A third team will act as judges and inquisitors, asking questions and picking a winner. You will have the opportunity to participate as debaters and judges – possibly more than once in each role.

Learning hours	
<b>Directed learning</b>	<b>48 hours</b>
Workshops/classes	48
<b>Guided/Self-guided learning</b>	<b>152 hours</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>

#### 4. Assessment, formative feedback and relative weightings

##### Assessment 1: Case Study

**Weight (%): 50**

**Word Count or Equivalent: 2000 words**

Taking the role of an analyst for the International Monetary Fund (IMF), you will be presented with a scenario of a nation whose economy is facing crisis. Analysing the situation, you should make recommendations for support and are required to draft three policy conditions in return for your proposed assistance.

##### Assessment 2: Report

**Weight (%): 50**

**Word Count or Equivalent: 2000 words**

You are a strategist for an international organisation interested in investing in a selected country. Prepare a report outlining the economic risks and opportunities present as well as the prospect for political change. You will draw on economic data, produce graphic representation and draw on relevant evidence to support a compelling argument.

Each summative assessment will be preceded by an opportunity for formative assessment accompanied by formative feedback.

#### Mapping of assessment tasks for the module

Assessment tasks	LO2	LO6	LO7	LO9
Case study	x		X	x
Report		x	X	x

#### 5. Indicative resources

Cohen, Benjamin (2019) *Currency Statecraft*. Chicago, IL: Chicago University Press.

Enloe, Cynthia (2014) *Bananas, Beaches and Bases: Making Feminist Sense of International Politics*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

Ferguson, Niall (2019) *The Ascent of Money*. London: Penguin.

Hurd, Ian (2020) *International Organisations: Politics, Law, Practice*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Norrlöf, Carla (2010) *America's Global Advantage*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

O'Brien, Robert and Williams, Marc (2020) *Global Political Economy. Evolution and Dynamics*. London: Bloomsbury.

Rodrik, Dani (2012) *The Globalization Paradox*. Oxford: Oxford University Press

Sorkin, Andrew (2010) *Too Big to Fail*. London: Penguin.

Tooze, Roger and May, Christopher (2002) *Authority and markets: Susan Strange's writings on international political economy*. London: Bloomsbury.