

Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Autumn Semester 2023

7,397: Consultancy Project: International Trade

ECTS credits: 4

### Overview examination/s

(binding regulations see below) decentral - Written work, Digital, Individual work individual grade (100%) Examination time: Term time

#### Attached courses

Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer 7,397,1.00 Consultancy Project: International Trade -- English -- Evenett Simon

#### Course information

# Course prerequisites

Successful completion of a bachelors class in international trade.

## Learning objectives

The learning objectives of this course include:

- (a) understanding the interconnections between peace, conflict, and cross-border commerce, taking account of historical and geographical specificities.
- (b) demonstrated ability to analyse international trade policies using economic and political economy tools
- (c) demonstrated ability to analyse data pertinent to the case study assigned.
- (d) successful completion of a written project, including potentially defending the arguments advanced orally.

### Course content

At a time of rising geopolitical rivalry, old questions about the links between cross-border commerce and trade and peace are gaining prominence. Furthermore, there are numerous developing countries that are both conflict-affected states and that are in the process of joining the WTO or that have joined that organisation.

The course will be conducted in collaboration with experts from the World Trade Organization. Each student will work on a case study where trade may have influenced peace or conflict.

Students will be expected to undertake independent research and to have prepared thoroughly before the first, briefing workshop.

### Course structure and indications of the learning and teaching design

The course will proceed in three phases. Completion of each phase is mandatory. In the first phase students will attend a briefing in Geneva on (a) the trade and peace nexus and (b) on how to conduct an excellent case students. Current and former senior members of the WTO Secretariat will likely attend this first session--so to give an excellent impression about HSG, students will be expected to prepare thoroughly. At this first workshop students will be assigned a case study to work on. Those case studies will be suggested by the WTO Secretariat.

The second phase will involve two online tutorials with Professor Evenett. Before the first tutorial each student is expected to submit a detailed outline (including table of contents) of their case study and planned write up. This outline should be 2 pages



long, no more. At the first tutorial feedback will be provided on each outline.

For the second online tutorial, students will receive feedback on the first draft of their papers that they will submit beforehand.

The timing of the first and second tutorials will be jointly determined by the students and Professor Evenett.

The third phase will involve each student presenting their paper (a case study) in front of trade and peace experts from the WTO Secretariat.

The first workshop will take place in September 2023 and the second workshop in December 2023. Both workshops take place in Geneva. Specific dates will be communicated as soon as possible. Attendance of both workshops is mandatory. No exceptions. At these workshops you are an Ambassador for HSG.

#### Course literature

Literature will be assigned at the start of the course.

#### Additional course information

Attendance of both workshops in Geneva is mandatory

#### **Examination information**

## Examination sub part/s

## 1. Examination sub part (1/1)

#### Examination modalities

Examination type Written work
Responsible for organisation decentral
Examination form Written work
Examination mode Digital
Time of examination Term time
Examination execution Asynchronous
Examination location On Campus

Grading type Individual work individual grade

Weighting 100% Duration --

Examination languages Question language: English Answer language: English

Remark

Paper of length 2000-3000 words.

Examination-aid rule

Free aids provision

Basically, students are free to choose aids. Any restrictions are defined by the faculty members in charge of the examination under supplementary aids.

Supplementary aids

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#### **Examination content**

The subject matter of the consultancy projects will be defined at the first workshop in Geneva.

Students are expected to undertake a case study where the connections between trade, conflict, and politics could have been important, and to defend their arguments advanced orally.

#### Examination relevant literature

All material will be provided via StudyNet before the respective presentations.

Students are expected to conduct their own research.

Additional material may be made available throughout the course.

## Please note

Please note that only this fact sheet and the examination schedule published at the time of bidding are binding and takes precedence over other information, such as information on StudyNet (Canvas), on lecturers' websites and information in lectures etc.

Any references and links to third-party content within the fact sheet are only of a supplementary, informative nature and lie outside the area of responsibility of the University of St.Gallen.

Documents and materials are only relevant for central examinations if they are available by the end of the lecture period (CW51) at the latest. In the case of centrally organised mid-term examinations, the documents and materials up to CW 42 are relevant for testing.

Binding nature of the fact sheets:

- Course information as well as examination date (organised centrally/decentrally) and form of examination: from bidding start in CW 34 (Thursday, 24 August 2023);
- Examination information (supplementary aids, examination contents, examination literature) for decentralised examinations: in CW 42 (Monday, 16 October 2023);
- Examination information (supplementary aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised mid-term examinations: in CW 45 (Monday, 06 November 2023);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised examinations: two weeks before the end of the de-registration period in CW 45 (Monday, 06 November 2023).