Study programme(s): Regional Master Program in Peace Studies

Study level: Graduate

Course title: Globalization and New Challenges to Peace

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Compulsory/Elective: Elective

Number of ECTS: 6

Aim of the course

The focus of the course is on explaining process of globalization, different interpretations of its nature and consequences, as well as detailed consideration of economic, political, technological, environmental and cultural interdependence of the world. Special attention will be devoted to the globalization agents and challenges. This course gives a realistic image of the global process, which includes its contradictory character and effects, and necessity of creative adaptation to globalization, particularly in small peripheral countries. Delineation of the worldwide scene will include new conflicts that globalization brings, as well as its potential for peace. Course objectives are to facilitate closer understanding of major processes that change the world map, to discern objective, unstoppable process of globalization from its historical forms, to understand the disparities and complex relations that bring new conflicts and weaken democracy at the global level.

Outcome of the course

Students will be provided with insights on complex and contradictory nature of globalization which will enable them to overcome "theoretical nationalism" (U. Beck), by recognizing the interaction of internal and external forces in shaping of different societies. They will also become aware of conflict potential of globalization and become familiar with the characteristics of new conflicts that have emerged on the world stage (from postmodern to resource wars). Based on knowledge gained on multiple dimensions of globalization, students will be able to understand structural preconditions of peace (such as strengthening of global democracy, decrease of the dramatic gap between rich and poor, etc..), as well as potential ways of strategic thinking that can ensure peace and development of Serbia in the era of globalization.

Content of the course

1. What is a globalization: contextualization of the debate; 2. Contradictions of globalization as cause of conflicts; 3. Globalization and invisible wars; 4. Globalization and weapons of mass destruction; 5. New conflicts (1): Political aspects of globalization and new conflicts: desovereignization of state; 6. New conflicts (2): Economic-social causes of new conflicts; 7. New conflicts (3): Race to Africa; 8. New conflicts (4): Ethnic conflicts, global terrorism and total war; 9. New conflicts (5): Global climate change and conflicts; 10. New conflicts (6): Resource wars; 11. New conflicts (7): The clash of civilizations; 12. Test

Literature

a) compulsory

Edited volume, The Time of Globalization, selection of the following texts: Bauman, Zygmunt, 1999. In Search of Politics. Cambridge: Polity Press; Castells, Manuel, 2000. End of Millenium. Oxford: Blackwell; Cohen, Robert and Kennedy, Paul, 2000. Global Sociology. New York: Palgrave; Friedman, Thomas, 1999. The Lexus and Olive Tree, Understanding Globalization. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux; Gray, John, 2002. False Dawn, The Delusions of Global Capitalism. London: Granta Books; David et al., 1999. Global Transformation, Politics, Economics, and Culture. Cambridge: Polity Press; Legrain, Philippe, 2003. Open World, The Truth About Globalization. London: Abacus, London; Robinson, William, 2003. Transnational Conflicts, Central America, Social Change and Globalization. London: Verso. Shiva, Vandana, 2000. Water Wars, Privatization, Pollution and Profits. London: Pluto Press. Soros, George, 2002. On Globalization. Oxford: Public Affairs; Tomlinson, John, 1999. Globalization and Culture. London: Polity Press; Waters, Malcolm. 1995, Globalization. London: Routledge.; 2. Pečujlić, M. 2002. Globalizacija: dva lika sveta. Beograd: Gutenbergova galaksija, str.5-45, 170-196; 3. Robinson, W., 1996 Promoting Polyarchy: Globalization, US Intervention, and Hegemony. Cambridge: CUP, pp. 13-73, 317-386; 4. Džuverović, N., 2011. Alternativna globalizacija. Godišnjak FPN, 5 (V), str. 401-413.

b) additional

1. Baylis, John and Smith, Steve (eds), 2005. Globalization of World Politics. Oxford: OUP; 2. Amoore, Louise (ed), 2005. The Global Resistance Reader. London: Routledge.

Number of classes of	Other					
Lectures:	Tutorials:	Other modes of teaching:		Research work:		
2	0			2		
Teaching methods: classes, tutorials, panel disucssion based on questions rised during the course						
Assessment of knowledge (maximum no. of points 100)						
Pre-examination commitments		points	Final	examination	points	
activity		30	writte	en test	70	
practical teaching			oral e	examination		
colloquium(a)						
seminar(s)						