

then applied in a role-playing, debate format adapted from UN-sponsored forums for a real time experience in negotiating issues of our time. Students choose the topics of debate, and prepare and negotiate proposals to address those issues.

**POLS 4006 International Political Economy (3,2,1) (tbc)**

Prerequisite: *For GIS major:* POLS 1005 Foundation of Political Science, POLS 2006 Introduction to Political Economy and POLS 3005 Foundation of International Relations

*For ES major:* (1) POLS 1005 Foundation of Political Science; and (2) POLS 2205 European Politics and Society: French Political and Government System, or POLS 2206 European Politics and Society: German Political Systems and Society, or POLS 3207 Government and Politics of the United Kingdom, or POLS 3215 Government and Politics of the United States

This course examines the intertwining and interaction of economics (wealth creation) and politics (political power) in international and global affairs. The nineteenth century term “political economy” is used here because economic and political forces are always enmeshed with each other. The course provides students with an overview of theories and issues of international political economy. In the first part of the course, we discuss the major theoretical perspectives (economic liberalism, economic nationalism, Marxist theory, etc.) that contend for recognition in international political economy. In the second part, we focus on substantive policy issues that concern the operations of international political economy. These issues include international trade and monetary system, foreign investment and multinational corporations, foreign aid and debt, and North-South relations. They will be examined against the backdrop of the changing global political order.

**POLS 4205 Advanced Research Methods (3,2,1) (tbc)**

Prerequisite: POLS 3006 Statistical and Survey Methods for Political Science

The course introduces a series of techniques and issues in methodology for political research. It particularly focuses on options available for research design and theory building. Comparative methodology, formal modelling and historical institutionalism are particularly emphasized. Students are invited to use the course material to elaborate and present the methodology of their honours projects.

**POLS 4206/ CHSP 4206 China and the World (3,2,1) (tbc)**

This course is designed to provide Government and International Studies majors and China Studies students with knowledge of Chinese foreign policies during the Cold War and Post-Cold War era. Being a socialist country with a strong nationalistic posture, how China situates herself in the world arena, and shifts her foreign policies from pro-Soviet stance (1950s) to isolation (1960s) then opening up to the West (1970s), will be thoroughly examined. The efforts of constructing a “Chinese Theory of International Relations” by Chinese policy analysts will also be studied.

**POLS 4207 Comparative Public Administration (3,2,1) (tbc)**

Prerequisite: *For GIS major:* (1) POLS 1005 Foundations of Political Science, POLS 2005 Government and Politics of China and POLS 2015 Government and Politics of Hong Kong; and (2) POLS 2205 European Politics and Society: French Political and Government System, or POLS 2206 European Politics and Society: German Political Systems and Society, or POLS 3207 Government and Politics of the UK, or POLS 3215 Government and Politics of the US

*For ES major:* EURO 2007 The Political Economy of the European Union

This course aims to examine critically the major concepts and theories of public administration within a comparative framework. It compares the European model with those of other

countries such as USA, China and other Asian countries. Case studies from those countries will be used in lectures, tutorials, and as research foci for students. Problems in the stages of policy formulation and implementation will be studied with emphasis on two major variables, the civil service and the legitimating ideology of the state concerned. Comparative policy formulation, implementation, ethics, problems, and politics-bureaucracy relations will be discussed with a specific reference to its application in the Hong Kong settings.

**POLS 4215 Contemporary Europe and Asia (3,2,1) (tbc)**

Prerequisite: *For GIS major:* (1) POLS 1005 Foundations of Political Science; and (2) POLS 2005 Government and Politics of China, or POLS 2015 Government and Politics of Hong Kong, or POLS 2205 European Politics and Society: French Political and Government System, or POLS 2206 European Politics and Society: German Political Systems and Society

*For ES major:* EURO 1008-9 Europe: Unity and Diversity and EURO 2007 The Political Economy of the European Union

This is a course designed to integrate the study of Europe with a knowledge of Europe's relations with Asia since 1945. Emphasis is on the post-colonial development of Asian states' ties with Europe, and with Europeans' economic, political, and cultural exchanges with Asia. The problems posed to Euro-Asian relations by relict anti-colonialism, by Cold War rivalries and by geo-strategic political economic competition will be examined within the framework of both continents' internal/external dynamics and the development of world trade, communication, and cultural interchange. The increased movement of Asian peoples to Europe and Europeans' renewed movement into Asia as part of the global processes and trends of the forecast “Asia-Pacific 21st Century” will be examined.

**POLS 4216 Democratization in East and Southeast Asia (3,2,1) (tbc)**

Prerequisite: *For GIS major:* POLS 1005 Foundations of Political Science and POLS 2005 Government and Politics of China

*For GIS minor:* Year IV standing

This course examines the theories on democratic transition and process of democratization in East and Southeast Asia. Comparisons will be made with current situations in Taiwan, South Korea, China, ASEAN states, etc. China's prospect of democratization will be a major focus, too. The course exposes students to the theoretical debate on the universality of liberal democracy by exploring conceptual issues such as “Asian values and democracy” and “illiberal democracy”. The course will use a broadly comparative methodology incorporating evidences from a range of countries in East and Southeast Asia.

**POLS 4217 International Organizations and Regimes (3,2,1) (tbc)**

Prerequisite: POLS 1005 Foundations of Political Science, POLS 2006 Introduction to Political Economy and POLS 3005 Foundations of International Relations

The course examines the international organizations and regimes which play a vital part in protecting life and imparting order to international intercourse from transport to environmental pollution, from drug smuggling to AIDS.

**POLS 4225 Political Cultures and Economies in Transition (3,2,1) (tbc)**

Prerequisite: *For GIS major:* POLS 1005 Foundations of Political Science, POLS 2006 Introduction to Political Economy or POLS 2015 Government and Politics of Hong Kong

*For ES major:* EURO 1008-9 Europe: Unity and Diversity and EURO 2007 The Political Economy of the European Union

This is an interdisciplinary course which explores the recent political and socio-economic evolution of selected societies in the