

Programme: M.A Political Science

CourseCode: POL-627

Title of the Course: Regional Integration: Evolution and Dynamics

Number of Credits: 4

Effective from Academic Year: 2023-2024

<b><u>Prerequisites for the course</u></b>	Open to all postgraduate students	
<b><u>Objectives</u></b>	<p>The course intends:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. to introduce the students to the deeper understanding and contemporary debates of processes in International Relations, Regionalism and Multilateralism;and</li><li>2. to examine the relevance of Regional Integration in the current world order and analyze the evolution, theories, functioning and significance of various regional groupings in the global political and economic domain.</li></ol>	
<b><u>Contents</u></b>	<b>Unit 1: Historical Development and Debates:</b> Introduction to regional integration: historical perspectives of integration, comparative analysis of regional integration, Regionalism versus Globalism.	10 hours
	<b>Unit 2: Theories and Scope of Regional Integration:</b> Theoretical understanding of Regionalism: Realism, Liberalism, Constructivism, scope of Regional Integration.	10 hours
	<b>Unit 3: Regional Integration in Europe:</b> the EU as a role model for regional integration, the government and politics of the European Union, impact of BREXIT on European Integration.	10 hours
	<b>Unit 4: Regional Integration in North, South America, Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa:</b> International Cooperations: MERCOSUR, North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF), East Asian Regionalism (EAR), Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC).	10 hours
	<b>Unit 5: Regionalism and Multilateralism:</b> bipolarity, unipolarity, multipolarity, international financial institutions-	10 hours

	<p>GATT, World Trade Organisation (WTO), Group of 20 (G20), Group of 7 (G7), Brazil-Russia, India-China-South Africa (BRICS), Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD)</p> <p><b>Unit 6: Political and Economic Consequences of Regional Integration:</b>power politics in international organisation, rise of supranational organisations, institutions trade blocs, trade flows, and international conflict.</p>	10 hours
<b><u>Pedagogy:</u></b>	Lectures, Assignments based on self-study	
<b><u>References/ Reading</u></b>	<p><b>Single Author Books</b></p> <p>Narlikar, Amrita (2003), <i>International Trade and Developing Countries: Bargaining Coalitions in the GATT and WTO</i>, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <p>Page, Sheila (2000), <i>Regionalism among Developing Countries</i>, London: Macmillan Press Ltd.</p> <p>Shaun, Breslin et.al. (2003), <i>New Regionalism in the Global Political Economy</i>, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <p>Waltz, Kenneth (1979), <i>Theory of International Politics</i>, U.S.A: Addison-Wesley.</p> <p><b>Edited Book</b></p> <p>Baldwin, Richard and Patrick Low (eds.) (2009), <i>Multilateralizing Regionalism</i>, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Padoan, Pier Carlo (1997), "Regional Agreements as Clubs: The European Case." in Edward D. Mansfield and Helen V. Milner, 1997: <i>The Political Economy of Regionalism</i>, New York: Columbia University Press.</p> <p><b>Two or More Authors</b></p> <p>Edward D. Mansfield and Helen V. Milner (1997), <i>The Political Economy of Regionalism</i>, New York: Columbia University Press.</p> <p>McCarthy, M. P. Dennis (2006) "International Economic Integration in Historical Perspective", London: Routledge.</p>	

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Börzel, Tanja (2001), "Comparative Regionalism: A New Research Agenda", *KFG Working Paper*.

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Bhagwati, Jagdish (2007), "Regionalism vs. Multilateralism." *World Economy* 15(5): 535-556.

Haas, Ernst (1970), "The Study of Regional Integration: Reflections on the Joy and Anguish of Pretheorizing", *International Organization* 24(4): 607-646.

Hettne, Bjorn et.al. (1999), *Globalism and the New Regionalism*, Hampshire: Macmillan Press Ltd.

Mansfield, Edward D., and Etel Solingen (2010), "Regionalism", *Annual Review of Political Science* 13: 145-163.

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Shaun Breslin and Richard Higgott, (2000) "Studying Regions: Learning from the Old, Constructing the New" *New Political Economy* 5(3): 333-352.

Special issue on Regional Integration in *International Organization* (1970), Vol. 24(4).

<b><u>Learning Outcome:</u></b>	<p>Students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. understand the historical developments of the process of regionalism and regional integration.</li> <li>2. enhance the ability of the students to understand the emergence of discourse on Multilateralism and Regionalism in International Studies.</li> <li>3. analyse the significance of the process of Regional Integration and its impacts on the Global Polity and Economy.</li> <li>4. relate theories of regionalism to various regional groups and evaluate their relevance in the current world order.</li> </ol>	