International political economy (IPE) addresses the reciprocal relationship between politics and economics in the management and functioning of the world economy. In this course, we explore the effects of politics on international economic relations as well as the impact of international economics on domestic and international politics. Our objective is to learn and evaluate theoretical accounts of the workings of the international political economy. To do so, we will study both historical trends in IPE and prominent explanations of these trends. Each week, the reading assignments will introduce students to issues such as international trade, finance, development, or global governance.

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