

# Seminar Contemporary Issues in Governance – ST 2023 Prof. Mike Troilo

- Syllabus & Class Schedule -

# Monday, April 17 - Introduction/Globalization

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tba Introduction to the course and globalization

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the articles, to be provided by

instructor

Text: Chapter 1-Globalization

Articles: Excerpts from "The Two Narratives of Political Economy" and "Why Growth

Matters"

Tuesday, April 18 - Trade theory

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tba Instructor-led discussion of trade theory and

comparative advantage

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the Corn Laws case, in the

Harvard course pack

*Text:* Chapter 5-International Trade Theory

Article: "Why trade is good for you" 10/1/98 Economist

*Case:* Corn Laws *HBS# 9-701-080* 

Wednesday, April 19 - Trade policy

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tha Instructor-led discussion of trade policy, especially

the effect of tariffs on markets, and discussion of an

article to be provided by the instructor

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the Delta Blues case, in the

Harvard course pack

Text: Chapter 6-The Political Economy of International Trade

Articles: TBD

Case: Delta Blues US-Vietnam Catfish Trade Dispute (A) HBS# 9-706-003



#### Thursday, April 20 - Trade liberalization and regional economic integration EU and Brexit

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tha Instructor-led discussion of the EU and its

relationship with major trading partners such as the

U.S. and China, including provided article.

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the Brexit case, in the Harvard

course pack

Text: Chapter 8-Regional Economic Integration

Articles: TBD

Case: The Brexit Unknown-Britain's Boom or Bust

#### Friday, April 21 - Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)-overview and types

8:00 am - 10:00 am tba Instructor-led discussion of theories concerning FDI

and market entry.

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tba Class discussion of the Chabros case, in the Harvard

course pack

Text: Chapters 7-Foreign Direct Investment, and 14-Entry Strategy and Strategic

Alliances

Articles: TBD

Case: Chabros International Group: A World of Wood Ivey W10001



### Monday, April 24 - Political Economy of FDI

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tba Instructor-led discussion of political risk and its

mitigation, along with assigned article.

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the Sakhalin case, in the Harvard

course pack. Your written business case analysis is

due at the start of this class.

Text: Chapter 2-National Differences in Political Economy

Articles: TBD

Case: Journey to Sakhalin (A) HBS# 9-704-040

## Tuesday, April 25 - Global capital markets

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tha Class discussion of assigned articles

2:00 pm — 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the Cyprus case, in the Harvard

course pack

Text: Chapter 11-The Global Capital Market

Articles: "The Great Recession, 2007-2010: Causes and Consequences" in HBS Packet,

and readings provided by the instructor

Case: Crisis in Cyprus (A) Ivey# W13369

#### Wednesday, April 26 - Industrial policy

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tba Class discussion of assigned articles: what is national

competitive advantage? How do nations acquire it?

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the Lyonbiopole case, in the

Harvard course pack.

*Text:* Chapter 5, pp.181-185

Articles: "Competitive advantage of nations" 3/1/90 HBR (HBS# 90211) Free on Harvey

"Clusters and the new economics of competition" 11/1/98 HBR (HBS# 98609) ibid

Case: Lyonbiopole: The challenge...cluster Ivey 909M75



#### Thursday, April 27 - Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tba Instructor-led discussion of the philosophy behind

IPR, different IPR regimes, and elements of IPR such

as patents, copyrights, and trademarks

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm tba Class discussion of the Novartis case in the Harvard

course pack.

Text: Maskus, Chapter 3, Globalization and the economics of IPRs (to be provided)

Articles: TBD

Case: Novartis in India Ivey# W12445

#### Friday, April 28 - Final paper presentations

8:00 am - 10:00 am tba Paper presentations

10:00 am – 12:00 noon tha Paper presentations

# Overall advice and one-on-one coaching for the final papers will be offered after the regular sessions

#### **Reading Materials**

The Harvard Business School (HBS) materials may be purchased online. The instructor will provide the link ahead of the start of the course.

The HBS materials are mandatory and each student must purchase his/her own copy.

Select chapters from Hill, "International Business", 8e serve as background material. These chapters are recommended but not required; they may prove useful. If you want to purchase the textbook, a convenient option is Amazon.

Other supplemental readings, such as *Economist* articles, will be posted on the course website.

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