



Sommersemester 2023

Seminar (BA): International Institutions and their Role in Global Governance

ECTS: 6

Date: Thursday, 2 – 6 pm (c.t.) (starting June 1st)

Room:

2 – 4 pm: F21/03.03

4 – 6 pm: F21/03.03

The globalised world is experiencing an increasing number of transnational challenges that cannot be solved by nation states alone, such as climate change, financial crises or security threats. To tackle these challenges, states create international institutions to facilitate cooperation and promote shared interests. Today, international institutions have been established in almost all areas of international politics. However, the design of international institutions varies widely, as does their success in achieving their overarching policy goals.

The aim of this undergraduate seminar is to develop a toolbox that allows students to systematically analyse international institutions and their role in global governance. The seminar will be divided into two parts. First, we will focus on different theoretical approaches to the analysis of international institutions. We will then apply these approaches to key international institutions and discuss specific empirical cases in which international institutions play a central role. Overall, the seminar enables students to deepen their theoretical knowledge of international institutions as well as their empirical knowledge of key issues such as security, trade, finance and the environment.

Eligibility Requirements:

- The working language of the seminar is English. Presentations and coursework must also be in English.
- Previous attendance of the introductory lecture (Einführungsvorlesung) or an equivalent course is recommended to have a sufficient basic knowledge of international institutions.
- Regular attendance and preparing the required texts is expected, as is active participation in discussions.
- To obtain 6 credit points, students must give a presentation and write a term paper (10 to 12 pages). Presentations will be assigned during the first session.

Please note: The number of participants is limited. Student registration via FlexNow! is required. You can register from 04/03/2023 - 04/30/2023. Please note that your registration is binding. If you have any questions regarding your registration, please contact Claudia Genslein (claudia.genslein@uni-bamberg.de or F21/3.18).

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01.06.2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction: Mapping the Theoretical Landscape• Requirements for Presentations• The Institutionalist Perspective: Solving Cooperation Problems
08.06.2023	No session
15.06.2023	No session
22.06.2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Realist Perspective: The False Promise of International Institutions• The Constructivist Perspective: The Role of Knowledge and Ideas
29.06.2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Empirical Case Studies
06.07.2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Empirical Case Studies
13.07.2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Empirical Case Studies
20.07.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Empirical Case Studies• Requirements for Term Papers• Reflection and Outlook