

Spring Semester 2020 – revised March 13

MC 221 (Section 001)

IR II: Politics of International Economic Relations

Monday/Wednesday, 10:20-11:40am, Room 339 Case Hall

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I have set aside these times for student meetings, and it is helpful for me if you can meet during those hours.

However, I understand that these slots will not fit everyone's schedule. If these times do not work for you,

please email to arrange a different time. **PLEASE SIGN UP FOR REMOTE OFFICE HOURS SLOTS AT <https://jmc.msu.edu/fastpass> and please email if you prefer a mode of communication other than Zoom.**

Introduction

MC 221 is the second semester of a year-long introduction to the study of international relations. It builds upon the concepts, theories, and actors covered in MC 220, and applies them to the international political economy and globalization. The central theme of this course is to understand conditions under which transboundary economic flows are blocked or enabled by governments.

The semester begins by revisiting theories of international relations studied in MC 220. We will use these approaches to develop expectations about how domestic and international politics influence economic behavior. We will then test these expectations by exploring how states regulate transboundary flows of products, people, information, and money. In the final part of the course, we will focus on how these transboundary movements – and their regulation – impact pressing contemporary issues such as economic development, criminal justice, environmental protection, and disease control.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you will:

- Appreciate how international relations theories explain key events in the global economy
- Recognize how you personally interact with the global political economy
- Assess structure, power and influence of institutions underpinning the contemporary global economy
- Become familiar with relevant stakeholders, their preferences, and the path by which they (or you) can influence international relations
- Understand how economic flows influence – and respond to – domestic and international politics
- Strengthen international relations research skills

Course Meetings

We will meet twice every week. Class will focus on discussion of the readings for that week, and their application to current events. This class is designed to enhance your verbal, as well as written, communication skills. It is essential that all class members contribute to the conversation so that we can learn from different points of view. **You are expected to prepare, attend, and participate every time we meet. Please contact me in advance if you must miss a class session.**

We will have animated discussions about many controversial topics. You should be prepared to support your position *with evidence*, and are encouraged to disagree with me and with each other, but **you must pay attention to, and be respectful towards, each other's views and experiences.**

Finally, although laptops and other devices may be useful at times, they can also distract you and others sitting around you. Recent research shows that handwritten class notes may be more effective (see "Take Notes by Hand for Better Long-Term Comprehension," <http://www.psychologicalscience.org/news/releases/take-notes-by-hand-for-better-long-term-comprehension.html>). **You may must now use laptops and other electronic devices during class, but please use them for class-related purposes only. Please do so in a way that is respectful of the shared learning environment. If these devices are abused, they will be banned from the classroom. Respect and attention further require no headphones in class.**

James Madison College Statement of Values: "As Madisonians, we affirm the necessity of compassion, conscientiousness, and curiosity in our community. We acknowledge our academic and moral responsibility to always seek to learn from one another, approaching our scholarly endeavors with respect and humility. We understand that this process can be uncomfortable, and that it often requires challenging closely held beliefs. Nevertheless, we strive to always participate in discussions in good faith, and to build a community conducive to the intellectual growth of all."

[Grading information follows on the next page.]

Grading and Assignments (see further details in the Assignment Packet)

Assignment	Due Date	Percentage of Overall Grade
Attendance, Preparation, and Quality Participation	Every class period; reading notes weekly	20%
Short Essay on Theoretical Approaches	January 29	5%
Preliminary Research Question and Hypotheses	February 17	10%
Midterm Exam	February 26, in class	20%
Final Research Proposal	April 13	20%
Final Exam	Thursday, Apr 30, 7:45-9:45am	25%

~~All written assignments—except reading notes—must be submitted on paper.~~ You are strongly encouraged to discuss all projects with Professor Axelrod during office hours.

You will receive a grade for each day of class and each assignment on the 4.0 scale. At the end of the semester, those grades will be weighted and averaged as indicated above. Weighted averages of greater than 3.75 will result in a 4.0 reported grade for the semester; 3.25-3.75 = 3.5 reported grade; 2.75-3.25 = 3.0 reported grade; 2.25-2.75=2.5 reported grade; 1.75-2.25=2.0 reported grade; and so forth.

For all assignments, late papers (unless accompanied by doctor’s note or other verified excuse) will receive a reduction of one grade point for every two days after the deadline (i.e., 1 minute to 48 hours late reduces grade by 1.0; 48-96 hours late reduces grade by 2.0). I do recognize that difficulties arise outside of the course, and I will therefore allow a single “life happened” extension on one written assignment (short essay, research question, OR final proposal). If something happens and you need an extension, you may use this option for a three-day extension, no questions asked. Please email me before the deadline so I know you are using the extension. However, you can only use this option once during the semester, so plan accordingly. The “life happened” extension may not be used to reschedule exams.

Similarly, you may use one free absence from class with no questions asked and no grade impact. For all other excused absences, please discuss with me ahead of time and provide a reason for your need to miss the session.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS COURSE WILL BE CONDUCTED IN LINE WITH MADISON COLLEGE AND MSU POLICIES ON ACADEMIC DISHONESTY. Among other requirements, that means that you must cite the source of any and all facts or ideas in your written assignments. The Student Handbook states:

“Academic Honesty: [Article 2.III.B.2](#) of the Academic Freedom Report states: “The student shares with the faculty the responsibility for maintaining the integrity of scholarship, grades, and professional standards.” In addition, James Madison College adheres to the policies on academic honesty specified in General Student Regulation 1.0, [Protection of Scholarship and Grades](#); the all-University Policy on [Integrity of Scholarship and Grades](#); and [Ordinance 17.00](#), Examinations. Therefore, unless authorized by your instructor, you are expected to complete all course assignments, including homework, lab work, quizzes, tests and exams, without assistance from any source. You are expected to develop original work for this course; therefore, you may not submit course work you completed for another course to satisfy the requirements for this course. Also, you are not authorized to use the [www.allmsu.com](#) Web site to complete any course work in this course unless explicitly authorized by the professor. Students who violate MSU regulations on Protection of Scholarship and Grades may receive a failing grade in the course or on the assignment and be reported for academic integrity violations.”

Please also remember that the internet is a powerful source of information. While it may ease your research efforts, it can also lead you to non-reputable resources and help to identify your use of other people’s work.

Violations of academic dishonesty principles will result in punishments up to and including a 0.0 grade for the course. Under MSU guidelines, I must report all such incidents to the University. IF IN DOUBT, I WILL BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS THE PROPER COURSE OF ACTION. Past experience has shown that most errors are easily avoidable with a short discussion.

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Honors Option(s): You may elect to participate in an honors section on media coverage of the international political economy, for honors credit. As per MSU rules, you must maintain at least a 3.5 grade in the course to be eligible for honors credit. To receive H-credit, you will participate in scheduled meetings and complete a semester-long media tracking exercise, as well as a short additional paper. The Honors option will begin during the week of January 27. Please contact Professor Axelrod as soon as possible if you would like to participate.

Needed Accommodations for Course Activities and Assignments

Requests for accommodations may be made by contacting the Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities at 517-884-RPCD or on the web at rcpd.msu.edu. Once your eligibility for an accommodation has been determined, you will be issued a Verified Individual Services Accommodation (VISA) form. Please present this form to me as soon as possible so that we can develop a plan that works best for your learning opportunities.

MSU Limits to Confidentiality [statement by Dr. Paulette Granberry Russell (2015)]

“[All] materials submitted for this class are generally considered confidential pursuant to the University’s student record policies. However, students should be aware that University employees, including instructors, may not be able to maintain confidentiality when it conflicts with their responsibility to report certain issues based on external legal obligations or that relate to the health and safety of MSU community members and others. As the instructor, I must report the following information to other University offices if you share it with me:

- Suspected child abuse/neglect, even if this maltreatment happened when you were a child,
- Allegations of sexual assault or sexual harassment when they involve MSU students, faculty, or staff [even if they happened outside the MSU context], and
- Credible threats of harm to oneself or to others.

These reports may trigger contact from a campus official who will want to talk with you about the incident that you have shared. In almost all cases, it will be your decision whether you wish to speak with that individual. If you would like to talk about these events in a more confidential setting you are encouraged to make an appointment with the MSU Counseling Center.”

Please note: I understand that gender-based violence and the other experiences listed above can undermine students’ academic success and I am committed to supporting survivors. In addition to the Counseling Center, additional confidential resources now exist, and I am happy to help you connect.

Course Readings

Please note that you should not accept course readings at face value. I have not chosen them because I agree with everything written, nor do I expect that you agree with their conclusions. You should know the authors’ arguments, but you are expected to read critically. I think these materials represent good entry points into the topics that we will study, and they generally do a good job of identifying the interesting issues related to those topics. However, ***you should approach readings (and statements in class) with a healthy degree of skepticism. When you confront an argument, I hope you will start by asking what evidence is available to support that argument.*** Following an analytical approach will help you gain a better understanding of the subject, and will make you a better student and scholar as well.

Relatedly, please make sure evidence is drawn from reputable sources that have an incentive to provide accurate information. For suggestions on identifying valid news sources, in particular, see Professor Melissa Zimdars’ guidelines (https://docs.google.com/document/d/10eA5-mCZLSS4MQY5QG5ewC3VAL6pLkT53V_81ZyitM/edit).

You are expected to read all assigned materials before the session noted in this syllabus. As in all Madison College courses, I realize that there is a significant amount of reading assigned. This load is necessary to grasp broad theories of international political economy, while also applying them to real life situations. Class discussion will center around the assigned reading materials, particularly those drawn from news sources. As a result, you will need to be familiar with these events and ideas before coming to class, and you are also strongly encouraged to bring all materials with you for reference. I will often email reading questions in advance to help guide your preparation for class.

1) The following textbook has been ordered by local student bookstores, though it may be available at a discount online. Balaam and Dillman provide a useful background for our studies of the international political economy.

Balaam, David N., and Bradford Dillman. 2019 *Introduction to international political economy*. 7th ed. New York: Routledge. [Please make sure to get the 7th edition.]

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2) As you will note, many of the readings are drawn from journals, magazines, or newspapers. These readings are equally, if not more, important for our class discussions. The D2L version of this syllabus contains hyperlinks to all news articles [*NY Times* articles, beyond the monthly allotment, are also available free online through the MSU Library]. Other materials are available online or through the MSU library website (www.lib.msu.edu), as noted [search by article title in the search box].

3) In addition, you are expected to keep track of news related to international relations and the global economy. *The New York Times* (available online at a discounted student rate) has excellent reporting on these topics, and you are expected to be aware of current events reported there. However, it is important to see other perspectives as well, so I encourage you to also look at other US and foreign news resources available online. For example, *The Financial Times* also provides good coverage of international economic issues, particularly those related to the European Union, and *The Guardian* is known for its coverage of economic development from a European perspective. One particularly good source for a developing country perspective in English is *The Hindu* (www.thehindu.com), published in Southern India. In addition to newspapers, I recommend *Economic and Political Weekly* (www.epw.in) for more in-depth analysis of developing country concerns. Many articles from these publications are listed in the syllabus, and these reports are part of your required class readings. You are expected to read them before, and be prepared to discuss them in, class.

4) Finally, I will of course be happy to recommend supplementary readings on topics that interest you, or on which you are conducting research.

Schedule and Assigned Readings [subject to change with reasonable notice]

Introduction to issues and actors in the global political economy

January 6 (Introduction)

Balaam/Dillman, chapter 1

Scott Horsley, “7 Days That Shook 7 Decades Of World Trade,” December 17, 2019 *NPR All Things Considered* (<https://www.npr.org/2019/12/17/788969705/7-days-that-shook-7-decades-of-world-trade>)

Dylan Scott and Tara Golshan, “Joe Biden, Bernie Sanders, and Elizabeth Warren really do talk about trade differently,” Sep 13, 2019 *Vox* (<https://www.vox.com/2019/9/13/20864189/democratic-debate-joe-biden-bernie-sanders-elizabeth-warren-trade>)

Jackie Calmes, “Who Hates Free Trade Treaties? Surprisingly, Not Voters,” Sept. 21, 2016 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/09/22/us/politics/who-hates-trade-treaties-surprisingly-not-voters.html>)

Keni Lesa, “Samoa, Tokelau skip across international date line,” December 30, 2011 *Associated Press* via Sand Diego Union-Tribune (<http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/sdut-samoa-tokelau-skip-across-international-date-line-2011dec30-story.html>)

Recommended:

Jeffrey Gettleman and Hari Kumar, “India’s Economic Woes Are Piercing Modi’s Aura of Invulnerability,” January 6, 2018 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/06/world/asia/india-modi-economy.html>)

Thomas Erdbrink, “Economic Pain Looms Large for Iranians in Nuclear Negotiations,” October 28, 2014 *New York Times* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/10/29/world/middleeast/iranians-hope-for-nuclear-deal-with-west-to-kick-start-economy.html>)

Peter S. Goodman, “More Wealth, More Jobs, but Not for Everyone: What Fuels the Backlash on Trade,” Sept. 28, 2016 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/09/29/business/economy/more-wealth-more-jobs-but-not-for-everyone-what-fuels-the-backlash-on-trade.html>)

(especially for those who have not yet taken MC 220): Balaam/Dillman, chapter 9

(especially for those who have not yet taken MC 220): Joseph S. Nye. *Understanding international conflicts: an introduction to theory and history* (newer version: *Understanding Global Conflict and Cooperation*)

January 8 (Stakeholders and their Roles in Economic Decision-Making)

Lake, David A. 2010. "Rightful Rules: Authority, Order, and the Foundations of Global Governance." *International Studies Quarterly* 54 (3): (only pages 591-594 and 600-608) (available through www.lib.msu.edu – search for the article title, not the journal title)

[note: “CRAs” = Credit Rating Agencies]

Balaam/Dillman, chapter 6 (ONLY pages 133-140)

[January 8 readings continued on next page]

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- Danny Hakim, "U.S. Chamber of Commerce Works Globally to Fight Antismoking Measures," June 30, 2015 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2015/07/01/business/international/us-chamber-works-globally-to-fight-antismoking-measures.html>)
- Sabrina Tavernise, "New Global Fund to Help Countries Defend Smoking Laws," March 18, 2015 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2015/03/19/health/new-global-fund-to-help-countries-defend-smoking-laws.html>)
- David E. Sanger and John Markoff, "After Google's Stand on China, U.S. Treads Lightly," January 15, 2010 *New York Times* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/01/15/world/asia/15diplo.html>)
- Eric Lipton, Nicola Clark and Andrew W. Lehren, "Diplomats Help Push Sales of Jetliners on the Global Market," January 2, 2011 *New York Times* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/01/03/business/03wikileaks-boeing.html>)

Recommended:

- Keck, Margaret E., and Kathryn Sikkink. 1998. *Activists beyond borders: advocacy networks in international politics*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press. (pages 41-51) [on reserve]
- Tallberg, Jonas, Lisa M. Dellmuth, Hans Agné, and Andreas Duit. 2018. "NGO Influence in International Organizations: Information, Access and Exchange." *British Journal of Political Science* 48 (1):213-38.
- Krasner, Stephen D. 1999. *Sovereignty: Organized Hypocrisy*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Enloe, Cynthia H. 1989/2000. *Bananas, beaches & bases: making feminist sense of international politics*. Berkeley: University of California Press. (especially chapters 6/7) (available in JMC library)

Part 1: Theoretical Approaches

January 13 (Mercantilism and Economic Nationalism)

Balaam/Dillman, chapter 3 and pages 130-133

- Press Trust of India, "Centre tighten norms for e-commerce companies for sale of products," Dec 26, 2018 *The Hindu* (<https://www.thehindu.com/business/Industry/centre-tighten-norms-for-e-commerce-companies-for-sale-of-products/article25834562.ece>)
- Tahiru Azaaviele Liedong, "Nigeria's border closure has implications for Africa's economic integration," October 27, 2019 *The Conversation* (<https://theconversation.com/nigerias-border-closure-has-implications-for-africas-economic-integration-125592>)
- Keith Bradsher, "China Stanches Flow of Money Out of the Country, Data Suggests," April 7, 2016 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/04/08/business/dealbook/china-foreign-exchange-reserves-rise.html>)
- Bikash Singh, "Bangladesh urges India to lift export ban on onion," Oct 23, 2019 *Economic Times* (<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/economy/foreign-trade/bangladesh-urges-india-to-lift-export-ban-on-onion/articleshow/71716035.cms>)
- Simon Romero and Raphael Minder, "Argentina to Seize Control of Oil Company," April 16, 2012 *New York Times* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2012/04/17/business/global/argentine-president-to-nationalize-oil-company.html>)
- Daniel Wallis, "Venezuela will not recognize World Bank ruling in Exxon case," January 8, 2012 *Reuters* (<http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/01/08/us-venezuela-exxonmobil-idUSTRE80701V20120108>)

Recommended:

- Krasner, Stephen D. 1976. "State Power and the Structure of International Trade." *World Politics* 28 (3):317-47. (available through www.lib.msu.edu)
- William Dalrymple, "The East India Company: The original corporate raiders," 4 March 2015 *The Guardian* (<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/mar/04/east-india-company-original-corporate-raiders>)

January 15 (Liberal Economics and Institutionalism)

Balaam/Dillman, chapter 2

- Trevor Noah, "Christine Lagarde - Economic Equity and the International Monetary Fund - Extended Interview," June 17, 2019 *The Daily Show with Trevor Noah* (<http://www.cc.com/video-clips/vwb61s/the-daily-show-with-trevor-noah-christine-lagarde---economic-equity-and-the-international-monetary-fund---extended-interview>)
- Ben McPartland, "Brexit: France to cut income tax and open international schools to entice London's bankers to Paris," 7 July 2017 *The Local* (<https://www.thelocal.fr/20170707/paris-to-open-three-more-international-schools-to-entice-brexit>)
- Eduardo Porter, "NAFTA May Have Saved Many Autoworkers' Jobs," March 29, 2016 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/03/30/business/economy/nafta-may-have-saved-many-autoworkers-jobs.html>)
- "Refinery Venture Reflects Easing of India-Pakistan Relations," April 27, 2012 *Bloomberg News* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2012/04/28/business/global/refinery-venture-reflects-easing-of-india-pakistan-relations.html>)
- "Chinese Government Abolishes Rare Earth Export Quotas," 15 January 2015 *BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest* 19(1) (<http://www.ictsd.org/bridges-news/bridges/news/chinese-government-abolishes-rare-earth-export-quotas>)
- Recommended: Nye, Joseph S. 2000. *Understanding international conflicts: an introduction to theory and history*. 3rd ed. New York: Addison Wesley Longman (especially pages 177-194) [or newer version]

January 20 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – NO CLASS, MSU CELEBRATION OF DR. KING
Please consider attending related events on campus (<http://www.inclusion.msu.edu/awards-programs/king/index.html>), in the community (<https://www.lansingmi.gov/942/MLK-Jr-Holiday-Commission>), or on your own.

January 22 (Marxist and Structuralist Understandings)

Balaam/Dillman, chapter 4

Mark Anderson, “Aid to Africa: donations from west mask '\$60bn looting' of continent,” 15 July 2014 *The Guardian* (<http://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2014/jul/15/aid-africa-west-looting-continent>)

Mark Landler and James Risen, “Trump Finds Reason for the U.S. to Remain in Afghanistan: Minerals,” July 25, 2017 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/07/25/world/asia/afghanistan-trump-mineral-deposits.html>)

Brook Larmer, “Is China the World’s New Colonial Power?” May 2, 2017 *New York Times Magazine* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/02/magazine/is-china-the-worlds-new-colonial-power.html>)

Alec Hogg, “As inequality soars, the nervous super rich are already planning their escapes,” 23 Jan 2015 *The Guardian* (<https://www.theguardian.com/public-leaders-network/2015/jan/23/nervous-super-rich-planning-escapes-davos-2015>)

David Pilling, “A revolution in Africa’s relations with France is afoot,” January 1, 2020 *Financial Times* (<https://www.ft.com/content/8894ad6e-2650-11ea-9a4f-963f0ec7e134>)

Bhagirath Lal Das, “Some Preliminary Thoughts on New International Economic Cooperation,” November 27, 2010 *Economic and Political Weekly* (available through www.lib.msu.edu)

Recommended:

Chimni, B. S. 2004. “International Institutions Today: An Imperial Global State in the Making.” *European Journal of International Law* 15 (1):1-37. (available through www.lib.msu.edu)

Moore, Sharlissa. 2018. “Neo-colonial or not? Evaluating North-South-South Partnership on Electricity Integration in the Mediterranean.” In *Sustainable Energy Transformations, Power and Politics: Morocco and the Mediterranean*.

January 27 (Alternative Approaches – Feminism, Constructivism, and Alternative Economic Measurements)

Balaam/Dillman, chapter 5

Mayra Buvinic and Ruth Levine, “Leaving women out of development statistics just doesn't add up,” 7 April 2016 *The Guardian* (<https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2016/apr/07/leaving-women-girls-out-of-development-statistics-doesnt-add-up>)

Allegra Stratton, “David Cameron aims to make happiness the new GDP,” November 15, 2010 *The Guardian* (<http://www.guardian.co.uk/politics/2010/nov/14/david-cameron-wellbeing-inquiry>)

Recommended: Isobel Coleman, “The Better Half: Helping Women Help the World,” *Foreign Affairs*, Jan/Feb 2010.

Part 2: Analyzing 4 Types of Transboundary Flows through IPE Theoretical Perspectives

Part 2a: Product Flows - Trade

January 29 (International Trade)

[SHORT ESSAY DUE AT THE BEGINNING OF CLASS]

Balaam/Dillman, chapter 7

Ian Traynor, “Beer tax dispute deepens as Belgium accuses France of protectionism,” December 4, 2012 *The Guardian* (<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2012/dec/04/beer-tax-dispute-belgium-france>)

Vincent Tullo, “VIDEO: How Bananas Can Explain Trade Wars,” March 24, 2018 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/03/24/business/economy/how-trade-wars-begin.html>)

Recommended:

Sobel, Andrew Carl. 2006. *Political Economy and Global Affairs*. Washington, DC: CQ Press. (pages 119-125 on “Absolute Advantage” and “Comparative Advantage”) [reserve]

Baldwin, Richard. 2014. WTO 2.0: Governance of 21st century trade. *The Review of International Organizations* 9 (2): 261-283. (www.lib.msu.edu)

Evenett, Simon J. 2014. The Doha Round impasse: A graphical account. *The Review of International Organizations* 9 (2): 143-162. (www.lib.msu.edu)

February 3 (Domestic Politics of Trade Relations)

Peter S. Goodman, "More Wealth, More Jobs, but Not for Everyone: What Fuels the Backlash on Trade," Sept. 28, 2016 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/09/29/business/economy/more-wealth-more-jobs-but-not-for-everyone-what-fuels-the-backlash-on-trade.html>)

Aaron Selbig, "As U.S. Steelmakers Cheer Tariffs, A Michigan Factory's Future Looks Bleak," March 8, 2018 *NPR Morning Edition* (<https://www.npr.org/2018/03/08/59138442/as-u-s-steelmakers-cheer-tariffs-a-michigan-factorys-future-looks-bleak>)

Eduardo Porter and Karl Russell, "Firing Back at Trump in the Trade War With Tariffs Aimed at His Base," Oct. 3, 2018 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2018/10/03/business/economy/china-tariff-retaliation.html>)

Hiroko Tabuchi, "Japan's Farmers Oppose Pacific Free-Trade Talks," November 12, 2010 *New York Times* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/11/12/business/global/12yen.html>)

Stephanie Strom, "Mexican Tomato Growers Offer New Trade Deal," October 18, 2012 *New York Times* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2012/10/19/business/global/mexican-tomato-growers-make-offer-to-revise-a-trade-deal.html>)

Revisit readings from January 6

Recommended:

Mayer, Frederick. 1998. *Interpreting NAFTA: the science and art of political analysis*. New York: Columbia University Press, chapter 7 (available as e-book through MSU Library website)

Scott Horsley, "Businesses Duck And Cover As Trump Says Trade War Is 'Easy To Win'," March 2, 2018 *NPR's All Things Considered* (<https://www.npr.org/2018/03/02/590384241/economists-worry-steel-and-aluminum-tariffs-could-start-trade-war>)

"US Presidential Contenders Spar on Trade As White House Continues TPP Push," *BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest* 20(9), 10 March 2016 (<https://www.ictsd.org/bridges-news/bridges/news/us-presidential-contenders-spar-on-trade-as-white-house-continues-tpp-push>)

February 5 (Trade Law and Product Regulation)

Mattli, Walter, and Tim Büthe. 2003. "Setting International Standards: Technological Rationality or Primacy of Power?" *World Politics* 56 (1):1-42 (**READ ONLY pp. 1-11**) (www.lib.msu.edu)

Ana Swanson, "Trump Cripples W.T.O. as Trade War Rages," Dec. 8, 2019 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/12/08/business/trump-trade-war-wto.html>)

Nick Cumming-Bruce, "U.S. Will Remain in Postal Treaty After Emergency Talks," September 25, 2019 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/09/25/business/universal-postal-union-withdraw.html>)

Gardiner Harris, "Medicines Made in India Set Off Safety Worries," February 14, 2014 *New York Times* (<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/15/world/asia/medicines-made-in-india-set-off-safety-worries.html>)

"Five Years After Rana Plaza Disaster, Trade Officials Review Sustainability Compact Results," 5 July 2018 *BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest* (<https://www.ictsd.org/bridges-news/bridges/news/five-years-after-rana-plaza-disaster-trade-officials-review-sustainability>)

Lynnley Browning, "Companies Struggle to Comply With Rules on Conflict Minerals," Sept. 7, 2015 *New York Times* (<https://www.nytimes.com/2015/09/08/business/dealbook/companies-struggle-to-comply-with-conflict-minerals-rule.html>)

"Mexico appeals WTO compliance report in tuna labelling dispute," *BRIDGES BioRes* 16 July 2015 (<https://www.ictsd.org/bridges-news/biores/news/mexico-appeals-wto-compliance-report-in-tuna-labelling-dispute>) [see updates at www.wto.org (search for "DS381")]

Vanessa Mock, "Canada Gets EU Oil Sands Reprieve," October 7, 2014 *Wall Street Journal* (<http://www.wsj.com/articles/canada-gets-eu-oil-sands-reprieve-1412676002>) (may require logging in through www.lib.msu.edu)

Recommended:

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March 16 (FINISH DISCUSSION ON FINANCE AND FDI – NO NEW READINGS)

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Part 3: Applying Lessons to Pressing Global Issues

Part 3a: Development and Poverty

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April 22 (~~Ebola~~ **COVID-19 Case Study; Course Conclusion)**

Final Exam Review Session – Date/Time to be determined

Final Exam Period – Thursday, April 30, 7:45 – 9:45am in 339 Case Hall