MPhil Course: IO 640  
Globalisation and the State  
Monsoon Semester, 2015

Class schedule:  
Tuesday and Thursday: 10 AM-11.30 AM  
Room no. 201, SIS-I

Tutorial (for difficulties and discussion):  
Tuesday & Thursday, 12.30 PM to 2 PM

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About the Course:  
The course would introduce students to major theoretical debates on globalisation and the state to inculcate a critical understanding of the subject. The debate over historicity of globalisation, its socio-cultural, economic and political ramifications would form an important component of the course. The course would also introduce main theoretical formulations on the nature and formation of the modern nation-state and the idea and practice of sovereignty that has been the principal edifice of contemporary international politics. Organised under five broad sub themes – Debating Globalisation; Approaches and Theories; Conceptual Anchors: State and Sovereignty; ‘Transformation’ of State and Sovereignty; Culture, Identity and Resistance, the course would offer students an analytical and theoretical insights into the myriad dimensions of contemporary forms of globalisation and its encounters with state and sovereignty.

Course Evaluation:  
The grade for the course would be computed on the following basis:

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<th>Mid-semester evaluation I: (September 2015)</th>
<th>Thematic review essay (3000 words): (20)% &amp; presentation (5%)</th>
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<td>Mid-semester evaluation II: (October 2015; topic selection by first week of October 2015)</td>
<td>Term paper (5000 words): (20%) &amp; presentation (5%)</td>
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<td>End-semester evaluation: (End of November 2015)</td>
<td>Written examination: 50%</td>
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- Students must read all the assigned readings and learn to critically engage with the original texts.  
- Students must maintain high degree of academic integrity, which includes but is not be limited to abstaining from copying and plagiarism. If in doubt, please consult the course teacher.  
- All written assignments must be submitted through http://www.turnitin.com, along with a hard copy. Students will receive an email with a link to register at Turnitin.com which they will need for submission of written assignments. Do attend turnitin training workshops organised by the JNU library.  
- SIS Research Manual should be used as the style manual for all written assignments. (http://www.jnu.ac.in/Academics/Schools/SchoolOfInternationalStudies/SIS_Research_Manual.pdf)  
- Penal grades would be imposed for late submission/ presentation and plagiarism.  
- Completion of all mid-semester evaluation requirements is compulsory to appear in the end semester examination.

COURSE OUTLINE

I. Debating Globalisation  
II. Approaches and Theories  
III. Conceptual Anchors: State and Sovereignty  
IV. ‘Transformation’ of State and Sovereignty  
V. Culture, Identity and Resistance
THEMATIC READINGS

I. Debating Globalisation: Weeks 1 & 2


II. Approaches and Theories: Weeks 3, 4, 5 & 6

Theories of International Relations & Globalisation


Capitalism, Imperialism & Globalisation


Feminist Perspectives


III. Conceptual Anchors: State and Sovereignty: Weeks 7, 8, 9 & 10

Origins and Formation of States


Sovereignty and its Avatars


IV. ‘Transformation’ of State and Sovereignty: Weeks 11, 12 & 13


V. Culture, Identity and Resistance: Weeks 14, 15 & 16

Cultural Matrix and Identity


Resistance and Challenges


FURTHER READINGS


*Third World Quarterly*, Special Issue on ‘Capturing Globalisation’ vol. 21 no. 6, December 2000.


