

Mandatory Course 2: International Institutions and Politics

Title	Mandatory Course 2: International Institutions and Politics
Semester	E2022
Master programme in	International Public Administration and Politics / International Politics and Governance
Type of activity	Course
Teaching language	English
Study regulation	

REGISTRATION AND STUDY ADMINISTRATIVE

Registration	<p>Sign up for study activities at STADS Online Student Service within the announced registration period, as you can see on the Study administration homepage. When signing up for study activities, please be aware of potential conflicts between study activities or exam dates.</p> <p>The planning of activities at Roskilde University is based on the recommended study programs which do not overlap. However, if you choose optional courses and/or study plans that goes beyond the recommended study programs, an overlap of lectures or exam dates may occur depending on which courses you choose.</p>
Number of participants	
ECTS	10
Responsible for the activity	Kerstin Carlson (carlson@ruc.dk)
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Teachers	
Study administration	ISE Studyadministration (ise-studyadministration@ruc.dk)
Exam code(s)	U60138

ACADEMIC CONTENT

Overall objective	<p>This course focuses on international institutions and how they shape and are shaped by international politics and governance. Institutions have mandates and competences that impose rules on the actors involved in boundary crossing policy issues – from monetary regulation and trade through public health to foreign and security policy. But institutions can</p>
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To enable students to answer such questions, the course introduces theories and concepts from international politics, governance, and law focusing on institutions, their impacts, and how they are themselves impacted by their surroundings. The course includes an introduction to the legal method, enabling students to understand, analyse, and discuss the formal mandates and competences of institutions.

Teaching consists primarily of lectures with continuous discussion and involvement of students in discussions and case work. Typically, each session will focus in depth on a single perspective on an institution or a set of institutions (e.g. a legal perspective on the EU or a politics perspective on NATO). In addition, a full-day interdisciplinary workshop is included with the other two courses of the semester.

Detailed description of content

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Course material and Reading list

Readings explore the topic of international organizations from an international law and politics perspective. The first weeks focus on theory: politics, world systems, and international organizations law. The course then focuses on specific international organizations such as (for example) the EU, the UN, NATO, the International Criminal Court. Readings will be supplied by the professors for the topic specific to the week and posted on

	Moodle. Additionally, Jan Klabbers' textbook International Organizations Law is mandatory and should be purchased by students.
Overall plan and expected work effort	Class teaching: 30 hours. Student presentations, exercises, peer-review, preparation: 195 hours. Examination: 45 hours hours. Total 270 total
Format	Campus
Evaluation and feedback	The activity are evaluated regularly regarding the study board evaluation procedure. The activity responsible will be orientated about a potential evaluation of the activity at semesterstart. Se link to the study board evaluation praxis here https://intra.ruc.dk/nc/for-ansatte/organisering/raadnaevn-og-udvalg/oversigt-over-studienaevn/studienaevn-for-internationale-studier/arbejdet-medkvalitet-i-uddannelserne/
Programme	Please see Moodle.
ASSESSMENT	
Overall learning outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify, analyse, and discuss the legal, institutional, and political aspects of a selected set of important international institutions. • To theorise, empirically identify, and evaluate the impact of international institutions and how these institutions are shaped by politics. • To systematically approach legal documents using the legal method. • To communicate and disseminate complex ideas related to course content in a professional, accessible, and accurate way both orally and in written form.
Form of examination	<p>Individual portfolio exam.</p> <p>The character limit of the portfolio is maximum 40,800 characters, including spaces. Examples of written products are exercise responses, talking points for presentations, written feedback, reflections, written assignments. The preparation of the products may be subject to time limits.</p> <p>The character limits include the cover, table of contents, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices.</p> <p>The portfolio is written completely or partially during the course.</p> <p>The entire portfolio must be handed in at the same time (uploaded to eksamen.ruc.dk). Handing in the portfolio or parts of the portfolio to the supervisor for feedback, cannot replace the upload to eksamen.ruc.dk.</p> <p>Assessment: 7-point grading scale.</p>
Form of Re-examination	Samme som ordinær eksamen / same form as ordinary exam
Type of examination in special cases	

Examination
and
assessment
criteria

Explain the role and development of international institutions

Describe/relate the legal and political dynamics of the operation and development of international institutions

Analyse/apply competing theoretical frameworks on the emergence, functioning and demise of international institutions

Demonstrate the capacity to contextualize the limits and possibilities of global governance.

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Course days:

Hold: 1

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	12-09-2022 08:15 til 12-09-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	19-09-2022 08:15 til 19-09-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Kerstin Carlson (carlson@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	26-09-2022 08:15 til 26-09-2022 10:00
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forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	03-10-2022 08:15 til 03-10-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Kerstin Carlson (carlson@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	10-10-2022 08:15 til 10-10-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	06.1-032 - teorirum (65)
Teacher	Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	17-10-2022 08:15 til 17-10-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	06.1-032 - teorirum (65)
Teacher	Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	24-10-2022 08:15 til 24-10-2022 10:00
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forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Kerstin Carlson (carlson@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	31-10-2022 08:15 til 31-10-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Kerstin Carlson (carlson@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	07-11-2022 08:15 til 07-11-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

Workshop (IPG)

time	10-11-2022 10:15 til 10-11-2022 12:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	04.2-025 - teorirum (40)
Teacher	Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk) Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk) Louison Cahen-Fourot (lcahenfo@ruc.dk)

Workshop (IPG)

time	10-11-2022 13:15 til 10-11-2022 15:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	04.2-025 - teorirum (40)
Teacher	Sevasti Chatzopoulou (seva@ruc.dk) Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk) Louison Cahen-Fourot (lcahenfo@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	14-11-2022 08:15 til 14-11-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Kerstin Carlson (carlson@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	28-11-2022 08:15 til 28-11-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	05-12-2022 08:15 til 05-12-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	12-12-2022 08:15 til 12-12-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
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location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics (IPG)

time	15-12-2022 08:15 til 15-12-2022 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt
location	25.3-005 - teorirum 25.3 (80)
Teacher	Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

International Institutions and Politics - Exam

time	04-01-2023 10:00 til 04-01-2023 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt

International Institutions and Politics - Reexam

time	24-02-2023 10:00 til 24-02-2023 10:00
forberedelsesnorm	ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP	ikke valgt