

IPE Independent Study, Spring 2024

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We will plan for 1.5-2.0 hours a week. Students will read all the assigned articles and pick two of the recommended articles. Our discussion will focus on (1) understanding the assumptions and context of the arguments presented, (2) connecting the materials to other topics both within and outside of content in this independent study, (3) exploring limitations of the study, and (4) developing ideas for extending the arguments to other empirical or theoretical domains.

Week 1. The Context: Globalization

Required

- Frieden, Jeffrey, and Ronald Rogowski, 2014. "Modern Capitalism: Enthusiasts, Opponents, and Reformers," In *The Cambridge History of Capitalism*, Ed. Neal and Williamson.
- Lake, David. 2009. "Open Economy Politics: A Critical Review." *The Review of International Organizations* 4 (3): 219-44.
- Baldwin, Richard E. 2016. *The Great Convergence: Information Technology and the New Globalization*. Watch the video available [here](#)

Recommended

- Naoi, Megumi. 2020. Survey Experiments in International Political Economy What We (Don't) Know about the Backlash Against Globalization." *Annual Review of Political Science*.
- Broz, Lawrence, Jeffrey Frieden, and Stephen Weymouth. 2021. "Populism in Place: The Economic Geography of the Globalization Backlash." *International Organization*.
- Flaherty, Thomas, and Ronald Rogowski. 2021. "Rising Inequality as a Threat to the Liberal International Order." *International Organization*.
- Kenneth Scheve and Matthew Slaughter. 2018. "How to Save Globalization." *Foreign Affairs* November/December, pp. 98-108.

Week 2. Trade 1: Theory, Individual Preferences, and Distributive Politics

Required

- Background: Paul Krugman, Maurice Obstfeld & Marc Melitz. 2018. *International Economics: Theory and Policy*, Eleventh Edition. New York: Pearson. pp. 10-50; pp.215-245.
- James E. Alt & Michael Gilligan, "The Political Economy of Trading States: Factor Specificity, Collective Action Problems, and Domestic Political Institutions," *Journal of Political Philosophy* 2, no. 2 (1994), 165-192.
- Helen Milner & Keiko Kubota. 2005. "Why the Move to Free Trade? Democracy and Trade Policy in the Developing Countries." *International Organization* Vol. 59 No.1:107-143.
- Scheve, Kenneth, and Matthew J. Slaughter. 2001. "[What Determines Individual Trade-Policy Preferences?](#)" *Journal of International Economics* Vol. 54 No. 2 (August): 267-292.
- Rogowski, Ronald. 1987. "Political Cleavages and Changing Exposure to Trade." *American Political Science Review* 81, (4):1121-1137.

Recommended

- Hiscox, Michael J. 2002. "Commerce, Coalitions, and Factor Mobility: Evidence from Congressional Votes on Trade Legislation." *American Political Science Review* 96 (3): 593-608.
- Ahlquist, John S., Amanda B. Clayton, and Margaret Levi. 2014. "Provoking Preferences: Unionization, Workers' Attitudes toward International Trade, and the ILWU Puzzle." *International Organization* 68 (1): 33-75.
- Mansfield, Edward, and Diana Mutz. 2009. "Support for Free Trade: Self-Interest, Sociotropic Politics, and Out-Group Anxiety." *International Organization* 63 (3): 425-457.
- Kim, In Song. 2017. Political Cleavages within Industry: Firm-level Lobbying for Trade Liberalization *American Political Science Review*, Vol. 111, No. 1, pp. 1-20.
- Osgood, I. 2018. Globalizing the Supply Chain: Firm and Industrial Support for US Trade Agreements. *International Organization*, 72(2), 455-484.

Week 3. Trade 2: Institutions and Trade Policy

Required

- Rogowski, Ronald. 1987. "Trade and the Variety of Democratic Institutions," *International Organization*.
- Kono, D. Y. (2006) Optimal obfuscation: Democracy and trade policy transparency, *American Political Science Review* 100(3): 369-384.
- Yotam Margalit 2011. "Costly Jobs: Trade-Related Layoffs, Government Compensation, and Voting in the US." *American Political Science Review* 105, pp. 166-188.

Recommended

- Stephanie J. Rickard, A Non-Tariff Protectionist Bias in Majoritarian Politics: Government Subsidies and Electoral Institutions, *International Studies Quarterly*, Volume 56, Issue 4, December 2012, Pages 777-785
- Hiscox MJ. 1999. [The Magic Bullet? The RTAA, Institutional Reform, and Trade Liberalization.](#) *International Organization*. 53 (4) :669-698.
- Colantone, Italo and Piero Stanig. 2018. "Global Competition and Brexit." *American Political Science Review* 112:2, 201-18.
- Colantone, Italo and Stanig, Piero. 2018. "The Trade Origins of Economic Nationalism: Import Competition and Voting Behavior in Western Europe," *American Journal of Political Science*, 62:4, 936-953.
- Autor, David, David Dorn, Gordon Hanson, & Kaveh Majlesi. 2020. "Importing Political Polarization? The Electoral Consequences of Rising Trade Exposure" *American Economic Review*
- Baccini, Leo. 2019. "The Economics and Politics of International Trade Agreements," *Annual Review of Political Science*. 22 (May).
- Goldstein, Judith L., Douglas Rivers, and Michael Tomz. 2007. "Institutions in International Relations: Understanding the Effects of the GATT and the WTO on World Trade." *International Organization* 61 (1):37-67.
- Edward Mansfield, Helen V. Milner, and B. Peter Rosendorff. 2002. "Why Democracies Cooperate More: Electoral Control and International Trade Agreements." *International Organization* 56: 3 (Summer), pp. 477-514

- Baccini, L., Pinto, P., & Weymouth, S. (2017). The Distributional Consequences of Preferential Trade Liberalization: Firm-Level Evidence. *International Organization*, 71(2), 373-395.

Week 4. Foreign Investment, Offshoring, Global Production & Supply Chains

Required

- Johns, Leslie, and Rachel Wellhausen. 2016. "Under One Roof: Supply Chains and the Protection of Foreign Investment." *American Political Science Review* 110 (1): 31-51.
- Malesky, Edmund J., Dimitar Gueorguiev, and Nathan M. Jensen. 2015. "Monopoly Money: Foreign Investment and Bribery in Vietnam, a Survey Experiment." *American Journal of Political Science* 59 (2): 419-439.
- ~~Pandya, Sonal 2014. *Trading Spaces* Chapters 1,2,4,5.~~
- Rommel, Tobias, and Stefanie Walter. 2018. "The Electoral Consequences of Offshoring: How the Globalization of Production Shapes Party Preferences." *Comparative Political Studies*, 51:5, 621-58.
- Jensen, J. Bradford, Dennis P. Quinn, and Stephen Weymouth. 2015. "The Influence of Firm Global Supply Chains and Foreign Currency Undervaluations on US Trade Disputes." *International Organization* 69(4): 913-947.

Recommended:

- Scheve, Kenneth, and Matthew J. Slaughter. 2004. "Economic Insecurity and the Globalization of Production." *American Journal of Political Science* 48 (4): 662-674.
- Frieden, Jeffrey A. 1994. "International Investment and Colonial Control: A New Interpretation." *International Organization* 48 (4): 559-93.
- Kim, In Song, Steven Liao, and Sayumi Miyano. 2020. "Why Trade and FDI Should Be Studied Together." Working paper available at <http://web.mit.edu/insong/www/pdf/fditrade.pdf>
- Kerner, Andrew. 2014. What We Talk About When We Talk About Foreign Direct Investment. *International Studies Quarterly* 58 (4): 804-15.
- Erica Owen, Noel P. Johnston. 2017. "Occupation and the Political Economy of Trade: Job Routineness, Offshorability, and Protectionist Sentiment." *International Organization*
- Simmons, Beth A. (2014). Bargaining over BITs, arbitrating awards: The regime for protection and promotion of international investment. *World Politics*, 66(1), 12-46.
- Wellhausen, R. (2019). International Investment Law and Foreign Direct Reinvestment. *International Organization*, 73(4), 839-858.

Week 5. Exchange Rate Politics and Capital Mobility

Required

- Jeffrey Frieden, 2015. "[Introduction: The Political Economy of Currency Choice](#)," Ch. 1. of *Currency Politics: The Political Economy of Exchange Rate Policy*'
- Kevin O'Rourke. 2014. "A Tale of Two Trilemmas." In: Brennan L. (eds) *Enacting Globalization*. Palgrave Macmillan, London
- Obstfeld, Maurice, and Alan M. Taylor. 2017. "[International Monetary Relations: Taking Finance Seriously](#)." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 31 (3): 3-28.
- Walter, Stefanie. 2008. "A New Approach for Determining Exchange-Rate Level Preferences." *International Organization* 62 (3): 405-438.

- ~~Bernhard, William, and David Leblang. 1999. "Democratic Institutions and Exchange Rate Commitments." *International Organization* 53 (1): 71-97~~

Recommended

- Aklin, M., Arias, E. and Gray, J. (2022), Inflation concerns and mass preferences over exchange-rate policy. *Economics and Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ecpo.12176>
- David Steinberg and Krishan Malhotra. (2014) "The Effect of Authoritarian Regime Type on Exchange Rate Policy." *World Politics*, 66:3, 491-529.
- Thomas B. Pepinsky. 2013. "The Domestic Politics of Financial Internationalization in the Developing World." *Review of International Political Economy* 20(4): 848-880.
- Amy Pond. 2018. "Financial Liberalization: Stable Autocracies and Constrained Democracies." *Comparative Political Studies* 51(1): 105-35.
- Bodea, C., & Hicks, R. (2015). [Price Stability and Central Bank Independence: Discipline, Credibility, and Democratic Institutions](#). *International Organization*, 69(1), 35-61
- Bert Kramer and Petros Milinis. 2021. "[Democratic Constraints and Adherence to the Classical Gold Standard](#)," *Explorations in Economic History*

Week 6: Global Economic Crises

Required

- Leblang, D., & Bernhard, W. (2000). [The Politics of Speculative Attacks in Industrial Democracies](#). *International Organization*, 54(2), 291-324.
- Jeffry Frieden and Stefanie Walter. 2017. "[Understanding the Political Economy of the Eurozone Crisis](#)," *Annual Review of Political Science* 20:371-90.
- Yotam Margalit. 2019. "Political Responses to Economic Shocks," *Annual Review of Political Science* 22:1, 277-295
- ~~Moritz Schularick & Alan M. Taylor, 2012. "Credit Booms Gone Bust: Monetary Policy, Leverage Cycles, and Financial Crises, 1870-2008," *American Economic Review* 102(2): 1029-61.~~
- Cameron Ballard-Rosa, Layna Mosley, and Rachel W. Wellhausen. (2019) "Contingent Advantage? Sovereign Borrowing, Democratic Institutions, and Global Capital Cycles." *British Journal of Political Science*

Recommended

- Sarah M. Brooks, Raphael Cunha, and Layna Mosley. (2015) "Categories, Creditworthiness, and Contagion: How Investors' Shortcuts Affect Sovereign Debt Markets." *International Studies Quarterly*, 59, 587-601.
- Curtis, K. Amber, Joseph Jupille, and David Leblang. 2014. "Iceland on the Rocks: The Mass Political Economy of Sovereign Debt Resettlement." *International Organization* 68(3):721-740.
- Christina J. Schneider and Jennifer L. Tobin. 2020. "The Political Economy of Bilateral Bailouts." *International Organization* 74(1): 1-29.
- Jennifer L. Tobin, Christina J. Schneider, and David Leblang. "Framing Unpopular Foreign Policies." *American Journal of Political Science* (forthcoming).
- Bechtel, Michael, Jens Hainmueller, and Yotam Margalit. 2014. "Preferences for International Redistribution: The Divide over the Eurozone Bailouts." *American Journal of Political Science* 58(4): 835- 56.

- Leblang, D., & Satyanath, S. (2006). [Institutions, Expectations, and Currency Crises](http://www.jstor.org/stable/3877873). *International Organization*, 60(1), 245–262. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/3877873>
- Manuel Funke, Moritz Schularick, & Christoph Trebesch. 2016. "Going to Extremes: Politics After Financial Crises, 1870-2014," *European Economic Review* 88: 227-260.
- Ahlquist, J., Copelovitch, M. and Walter, S. (2020), The Political Consequences of External Economic Shocks: Evidence from Poland. *American Journal of Political Science*, 64: 904-920.
- Walter, Stefanie. 2016. "Crisis Politics in Europe: Why Austerity Is Easier to Implement in Some Countries Than in Others." *Comparative Political Studies* 49(7): 841– 73.

Week 7: Migration

Required

- Hainmueller, Jens, and Michael J. Hiscox. 2010. "Attitudes Towards Highly Skilled and Low Skilled Immigration: Evidence from a Survey Experiment." *American Political Science Review*. 104 (1): 61-84.
- Leblang, David. 2010. "Familiarity Breeds Investment: Diaspora Networks and International Investment." *American Political Science Review* 104 (3): 584-600.
- Peters, Margaret. 2014. "Trade, Foreign Direct Investment, and Immigration Policy Making in the United States." *International Organization* 68 (4): 811-844.
- Holland, A., & Peters, M. (2020). Explaining Migration Timing: Political Information and Opportunities. *International Organization*, 74(3), 560-583.

Recommended

- Bermeo, Sarah Blodgett and David Leblang. 2015. "Migration and Foreign Aid." *International Organization* 69 (3): 627-657.
- Malhotra, Neil, Yotam Margalit, and Cecilia Hyunjung Mo. 2013. "Economic Explanations for Opposition to Immigration." *American Journal of Political Science* 57 (2): 391-410.
- Hainmueller, Jens, and Daniel J. Hopkins. 2015. "The Hidden American Immigration Consensus: A Conjoint Analysis of Attitudes toward Immigrants." *American Journal of Political Science* 59 (3): 529-548.
- Hein de Haas and Katharina Natter. 2015. "[The Determinants of Migration Policies: Does the Political Orientation of Governments Matter?](#)" DEMIG Working Paper.
- Jennifer Fitzgerald, David Leblang, and Jessica Teets. 2014. Defying the Law of Gravity: [The Political Economy of International Migration](#). *World Politics*, 66(3), 406–445.
- Marc Helbling and Daniel Meierrieks (2021): "How climate change leads to emigration: Conditional and long-run effects", *Review of Development Economics* 25(4): 2323-2349

Weaponized Interdependence:

- Here is a terrific [syllabus](#) focusing on a wide range of topics. And [here](#) is another.

Read:

- [Farrell and Newman. 2019. International Security](#)
- [Immigration and bailouts](#) example from Bernhard and Leblang
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