

The Latin American Role in a Context of Economic Globalization

Universidad de Belgrano

45 contact hours / 3 semester credits

This course is taught in English.

General Objectives of the Course

The course deals with the analysis of the international relations between the Latin American countries (L. A.) and other main geo-economic regions of the world; i.e.: Europe (European Union / E.U.), North America (NAFTA), and Asia (ASEAN). Main aspects to be taken into account are: economic cooperation, trade issues, business development and socio-political aspects.

Although all the regions will be taken into account in their internal and external (inter-regional) relations, a special stress will be put in the cases of: (i) the economic relations of Latin America with E.U., NAFTA and ASEAN; (ii) the economic relations within the Latin American Region (MERCOSUR, CAN, the proposal of ALBA); (iii) the role of international organizations and multinational corporations in economic development (including the subjects of: training of human resources and technology transfer), and (iv) the subject of the present hegemonic power of the USA versus the prospects of China and India.

The course is designed under the "Case Study" concept. Therefore, the analysis will be complemented with selected case studies.

Evaluation Procedures

Class Participation: 30%

Mid-Term evaluation (Group presentation): 30%

Final evaluation (Written Test and Oral presentation): 40%