

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

**Course Code / Title** : HS2007 Understanding Globalization

**Pre-requisites** : HS1001 Person and Society

**No. of AUs.** : 3

**Contact Hours** : 39

### **Course Aims**

'Globalization' - now an everyday term and not just an academic concept - refers to the general process that intensifies the interaction and interdependence between people and places across the world, especially with the growth of capitalism. This course examines the complex phenomenon of globalization, which has accelerated over recent decades as a result of significant technological advances in transportation and communications. As an ideology, globalization can be seen as a powerful system of ideas that legitimizes efforts to re-structure the global political economy and transnational relations. The economic, political and cultural processes that constitute globalization are discussed in light of their social impact on individuals, groups, cities and nation-states. By emphasizing both theory and empirical case studies, the course will enable you to critically examine globalization in its multifaceted complexity.

### **Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)**

By the end of the course, you should be able to:

1. Explain how political and social conditions shape the process of globalization.
2. Understand how notions of the 'global' and 'local' get constructed and contested
3. Explain how globalization impacts culture and identity formation.
4. Understand the social and political ramifications of globalization.

### **Course Content**

Week 1: Introduction

Week 2: What Is Globalization?

Week 3: Globalization And Global Inequalities

Week 4: Group Project Consultation

Week 5: Nation, State, Citizenship

Week 6: Cultural Policies And Industries

Week 7: A Global Culture?

Week 8: Migration

Week 9: Cities

Week 10: Environment, Security And Public Health

Week 11: Global Civil Society

Week 12: Group Project Presentations

Week 13: Revision

### **Course Assessment**

CA1 Class Presentation : 10%

CA2 Class Participation : 10%

CA3 Group Project : 30%

Final Examination : 50%

**Total** -----  
**100%**