

## INST 4913 – International Studies Seminar – Global Development T/Th – 8:00 AM – Gearhart Hall 0108

Explore the Complexities of Poverty, Inequality, Sustainability & Justice on a Global Scale

## **Course Overview**

**Global Development** offers an in-depth exploration of the most pressing issues facing the world today. This course investigates the legacy of colonialism, the dynamics of globalization, and the role of the free market in shaping current development paradigms. Through a combination of theoretical frameworks and real-world case studies, students will examine the economic, social, and geopolitical challenges that define global development today.

## What You Will Learn:

- Theories of Development: Understand and critically assess different development theories.
- Impact of Historical Legacies: Explore how colonialism, globalization, and current economic systems have shaped modern development.
- **Current Global Challenges**: Analyze issues of poverty, inequality, climate change and sustainability in the context of today's world.
- Empirical Insights: Examine data and evidence through case studies.
- Global Benchmarks: Human Development Index (HDI), Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Inner Development Goals (IDGs) as tools for assessing development.
- **Geopolitical Implications**: Gain a broader perspective on how economic and political forces intersect in shaping human development.

## Why Take This Course?

- Comprehensive Approach: Engage with development through a multidisciplinary lens that combines theory, evidence, and real-world application.
- **Critical Thinking**: Challenge traditional assumptions and develop your own informed views on global development issues.
- **Global Perspective**: Understand how current global events—from climate change to shifting geopolitical power—are reshaping development priorities.
- **Practical Knowledge**: Equip yourself with tools to assess and contribute to sustainable, equitable solutions in the field of development.

Begin your journey into understanding the forces shaping our world.

Enroll now and transform your perspective on global development!