

Global Policy Studies (GPS)

GPS 301 Introduction to International Development 3 Hours

Explore the ideational landscape of international development, including the main "schools of thought" in development over time, as well as how the beliefs and assumptions within these schools inform particular policy solutions. Analyze the institutional landscape with respect to the actors, organizations, and transnational communities that shape how global development has been practiced at the local, national and international levels. Examine the indicator landscape concerning where data on development can be found, interpreted and used to pursue evidence-based analysis and decision-making in this space. Survey contemporary development policy issues.

GPS 311D Empirical Methods for Global Development 3 Hours

Survey the various qualitative methods and tools used in the design and evaluation of programs and policies in international development and humanitarian assistance work. Analyze how to design and conduct qualitative evaluations in theory and under real-world constraints. Examine some of the key challenges in managing evaluations at the project and organizational levels, along with associated ethical and analytical concerns.

GPS 119S, 219S, 319S, 419S, 519S, 619S, 719S, 819S, 919S Topics in Global Policy Studies 1-9 Hours

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GPS 325 Topics in Global Policy 3 Hours

Survey various topics in global policy.

GPS 129S, 229S, 329S, 429S, 529S, 629S, 729S, 829S, 929S Topics in Global Policy Studies 1-9 Hours

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GPS 345 Advanced Topics in Global Policy 3 Hours

Examine various advanced topics in global policy.