

International Society of Globalization Age			
Registration Code	0061511	Credits	2.0
Course Category	Arts Liberal		
Term (Semester) / Day / Period	G-I (1st year, Fall Semester) / Mon. / 5 (16:30~18:00)		
Instructor	MCGINTY Sean Michael		
Target Schools (Programs)	Hu(J)·La(S)·Ec(S)·Sc(P·C·B)·En(P·C·Au)·Ag(B)		
<p>●Objectives of the course</p> <p>In this course we look at twelve selected global problems that human society faces in the 21st century. The process of globalization since the late 20th century has brought about many benefits for societies across the planet ranging from those of major importance, like the spread of democratic norms and institutions to former dictatorships, to the more trivial, like the ability to buy Kit Kats pretty much anywhere in the world you go. It has also gone hand in hand, however, with the spread of problems of a global scale which pose significant threats to the viability of the very globalized civilization humanity seems to be aspiring to create. Whether this globalized world survives the 21st century in large part depends on our collective ability to confront and deal with these problems. The main aims of the course are 1) to familiarize students with each of the problems faced, 2) to understand potential solutions to them from a variety of disciplines (legal, political, economic and technological) exist, and 3) to understand what hurdles international society faces in attempting to implement the varying solutions which are potentially available. The course is cross-disciplinary, and relies on literature from the fields of law, politics, economics and others.</p> <p>●Course Prerequisites</p> <p>None.</p> <p>●Course Contents</p> <p>Week 1. Introduction Week 2. Income and Wealth Inequality Week 3. Urbanization Week 4. Demographics and overpopulation Week 5. Refugees Week 6. Artificial Intelligence Week 7. Risks to Global Financial System Week 8. Risks to Global Trade Week 9. Loss of Biodiversity Week 10. Threats to our food system Week 11. Resource depletion Week 12. Plastic pollution Week 13. Climate Change Week 14. TBA Week 15. Review</p> <p>●Evaluation methods</p> <p>50% Term Paper 50% Final Exam</p> <p>●Notice for students</p>			
Textbook	None. Reading materials will be distributed in class.		
Reference Book	None.		