

Common Course Outline
GLBL 101
Introduction to Global Studies
3 Credits

The Community College of Baltimore County

Description

GLBL 101 – 3 credits - The Introduction to Global Studies is an interdisciplinary course that examines processes of globalization and their consequences. Course work introduces students to global perspectives on issues confronting the globalized world including the relationships among politics, culture, the environment and economics and will equip students with heightened global awareness, knowledge and the ability to adapt to the rapidly changing world.

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Prerequisite: (RDNG 052 and ENGL 052)

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

1. define and discuss key concepts necessary for an understanding of globalization;
2. identify the social, economic, and political relationships that connect people around the world;
3. understand the historical origins of global processes;
4. analyze the effect of globalization on culture, including the globalization of poverty and changes in cultural values, personal identity and gender;
5. analyze the political and economic problems that have arisen as a result of globalization;
6. analyze the connection between globalization and current health issues such as emerging diseases, pandemics and access to care;
7. compare and contrast the positive and negative impact of globalization around the world;
8. describe social movements connected to globalization including the anti-globalization movement, global civil society organizations and the global human rights movement;
9. analyze the relationship between globalization and technology;
10. interpret mass media, Internet sites and texts produced in Africa, Asia, Central and South America, Europe and the Middle East for evidence of non-American perspectives on global issues.

Major Topics

- I. History of globalization
- II. Transnational migration
- III. Economic globalization

- IV. Political globalization
- V. Cultural globalization
- VI. Legal globalization
- VII. Technology as a tool of globalization
- VIII. Emerging global issues: health and social problems
- IX. Global conflict and violence
- X. Social movements
- XI. Research methodologies

Course Requirements

Students are required to use appropriate academic resources.

Grading/exams: Grading procedures will be determined by the individual faculty member but will include the following:

1. At least one exam with a writing component (short-answer or essay)
2. Written assignments equivalent to 7-10 pages of writing to include original research and analysis of a global issue, response(s) to non-American media, and other papers on designated subjects
3. At least one presentation of 5 minutes in length
4. Collaborative work such as film analysis, case study exercises and online discussion

Other Course Information