

Unit Details

Strategies for Industrialisation

Basic information about the unit

Unit Level: M

Reference Number: PDE-M-104

Number of Credits: 1

Student Study Hours: 150

Class Contact Hours: 40

Pre-requisites: Undergraduate degree in the social sciences or equivalent

Excluded Combinations: None

Unit Co-ordinator: Jeremy Landor

Parent Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Human Sciences

Parent Course: MSc Development Studies

Short description

This unit builds upon the theoretical concepts and general notions of industrialisation introduced in year/semester one units on the World Economy and International Business. It examines the policies, process and impact of industrialisation on selected developing countries. The course is devoted to case studies of industrialisation in the Middle East and North Africa.

Learning outcomes

At the end of the unit students will be able to:

- analyse the main political, social and economic issues facing contemporary developing societies with specific reference to industrialisation strategies.
- understand the relationships between environment and development, the international economic system, and the development of manufacturing industry.
- assess the role of the state in industrialisation
- understand the relations between economic sectors and between the rural and urban sectors of industrialising economies.

Indicative content

What are the conditions necessary for industrialisation? The Middle East and North Africa before European colonialism; The impact of colonialism on economic development in the Middle East; Nationalism and industrialisation; Import substitution

industrialisation; State, class and the failure of ISI; Post-populist authoritarianism, economic liberalisation and US hegemony; The impact of economic liberalisation; Labour and labour organisation; Labour migration; Palestine: continuing colonisation and 'de-development'; The informal sector: employment, poverty and development.

Assessment method

A 5,000 word extended essay at the end of the unit accounts for 100% of the total unit mark.

Core texts

See Unit Guide