

Course title: Global Classroom: Integrated Approaches to Sustainable Development			
Course code: MPD 107	No. of credits: 2	L-T-P: 30-0-0	Learning hours: 30
Pre-requisite course code and title (if any):			
Department: Department of Policy and Management Studies			
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Course type: Core		Course offered in: Semester 1	
<p>Course description</p> <p>The course largely comes under the global MDP Programme, coordinated by the Global Secretariat of MDP located within the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) office, New York, USA. Through this global MDP association, the students get an opportunity to take lectures in global classroom which is essentially in online mode. The broad goal of this course is to introduce the foundations of key sectoral and thematic knowledge for challenges to sustainable development and for this, the course has been divided into four modules, one for each pillar of sustainable development: governance, economic well-being, environmental protection, and social inclusion. All the modules are interrelated and integrated with each other and that is why the course is named as integrated approach to sustainable development.</p> <p>The course is unique in nature as it allows the students from different parts of the world to participate in collective learning experiences. The global classroom is currently conducted by Lehigh University USA and is attended for 14 weeks, beginning each September. The course materials, including the syllabus, readings, lecture videos, etc. are available to the students. Besides global classroom, local lectures are also being conducted by local experts. This helps the students to sync both global and local perspectives while identifying the challenges and way forward to implement the SDGs. Each module is divided into four sections, starting with (i) a global thought leader to provide a current overview of the module, (ii) a global expert to lead a deeper dive into the module, and (iii) a practitioner who is currently applying the SDGs in action to offer a perspective from the front lines and finally (iv) a regional or local expert, who will share the regional and local perspectives.</p>			
<p>Course objectives</p> <p>Main objectives of the course are to make the students to –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • familiar with current and emerging global issues related to sustainable development • be equipped to analyze critical dimensions of sustainable development in the context of both industrialized and developing countries • be cognizant of the key spatial and temporal connections and their integration for successful policy and practice of sustainable development. 			

This Course outline was prepared by Dr Swarup Dutta and approved by the 53rd Academic Council Meeting on 26th August 2022 at TERI School of Advanced Studies, New Delhi.