This mini-seminar will deal with the economic and political issues and options involved in the Doha Development Agenda of the World Trade Organization (WTO) multilateral trade negotiations and with a number of existing and proposed regional and bilateral preferential trading arrangements of interest to the United States and other major trading countries. We will begin with a discussion of issues of globalization and the role and responsibilities of the WTO. There will then be meetings dealing with selected issues pertinent to the WTO negotiating agenda, including: market access for industrial products; agricultural trade liberalization; services liberalization; trade-related intellectual property rights (TRIPs); and dispute settlement. The following sessions will deal with regional and bilateral preferential trading arrangements, and with trade, multinational corporations, labor and the environment. The final meeting will be devoted to a discussion of country case studies of the WTO Doha Development Agenda and regional/bilateral negotiating positions and tradeoffs.

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Organization of Seminar
This is a policy seminar intended for graduate students in the Ford School of Public Policy, Economics, and other UM graduate programs. The prerequisite is PUBPOL 541, or 542, or the equivalent. There will be weekly meetings on Wednesdays from 4-6 P.M. in Room 201, Lorch Hall, from October 19 to December 7, 2005.

Paper Requirements and Grades
Students will be required to prepare six (6) weekly papers based on the assigned readings. The text of these papers must not exceed two (2) pages (double space) in length; footnotes, tables, figures, and references can be appended to the papers if needed. The papers will be due no later than noon on Tuesday prior to the next day’s seminar meeting and can be left in an envelope hanging on my office door (208 Lorch Hall) or sent to me as an E-mail attachment. The first weekly paper is due on Tuesday, October 25, 2005.
The six weekly papers combined will be weighted equally in assigning the final grade for the mini-seminar. Grades of Incomplete in the mini-seminar will not be allowed.

**COURSE OUTLINE AND READING LIST**

Students are requested to purchase the book by Jagdish Bhagwati, *In Defense of Globalization* (Oxford University Press, 2004). This book is available at a discounted price from Amazon.com, Border’s, or other booksellers. All other readings can be downloaded and printed, as noted, and will also be available on reserve in the Foster Library.

**October 19  Organization and Introduction**

Readings:  
- Bernard Hoekman, *The WTO: Functions and Basic Principles*
- Rudolf Adlung et al., “The GATS: Key Features and Sectors”
- Dani Rodrik, “Trade Policy Reform as Institutional Reform”
- L. Alan Winters, “Trade Policies for Poverty Alleviation”
  
The above articles have been published in Bernard Hoekman, Aaditya Mattoo, and Philip English (eds), *Development, Trade, and the WTO: A Handbook*, The World Bank, 2002. Copies of the articles are on Reserve in Foster Library and can also be accessed at: [http://wds.worldbank.org/servlet/WDS Servlet?pcont=details&eid=00016001620](http://wds.worldbank.org/servlet/WDS Servlet?pcont=details&eid=00016001620) (Ch. 1, pp. 3-10; Ch. 5, pp. 28-38; Ch. 6, pp. 41-49; and Ch. 27, pp. 259-279).


**October 26  Issues in the WTO Doha Development Agenda Multilateral Negotiations**

Readings:  
- Patrick Messerlin, “Agricultural Liberalization in the Doha Round”
- Alan V. Deardorff and Robert M. Stern, “Issues of Manufactures Liberalization and Administered Protection in the Doha Round”
  
The above papers have been prepared for the University of Michigan conference, “Perspectives on the WTO Doha Development Agenda Multilateral Trade Negotiations,” October 21, 2005. Copies on reserve in Foster Library.


**November 2**  
**Services and Trade-Related Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS)**

Readings:  


Arvind Subramanian, “Proprietary Protection of Genetic Resources and Traditional Knowledge”  
Frank J. Penna and Coenraad J. Visser, “Cultural Industries and Intellectual Property Rights”  

Keith E. Maskus, “Short Note on TRIPS and Development.” Copies on reserve in Foster Library.

Carsten Fink, “Implementing the Doha Mandate on TRIPS and Public Health.” Copies on reserve in Foster Library.

Carsten Fink and Keith Maskus, “The Debate on Geographical Indications in the WTO.” Copies on reserve in Foster Library.

**November 9**  
**Dispute Settlement**

Readings:  
T.N. Srinivasan, “The Dispute Settlement Mechanism of the WTO: A Brief History Evaluation from Economic, Contractarian, and Legal Perspectives.” Copies on reserve in Foster Library.

November 16  Regional and Bilateral Preferential Trading Arrangements


November 23  No Meeting

November 30  Trade, Multinational Corporations, Labor, and the Environment


Veena Jha, “Environmental Regulation and the WTO,” in Hoekman et al. Copies on Reserve in Foster Library. Can be accessed as noted above.


December 7  Case Studies of WTO Doha Development Agenda and Regional/Bilateral Negotiating Positions and Tradeoffs


Discussion of final papers that are due by **12 noon on Tuesday, December 6, 2005**. Students will be required to choose an advanced industrialized country or a developing/transition economy and summarize briefly the country’s interests and tradeoffs in the Doha Round and regional/bilateral negotiations.
The following Home Pages can be consulted as needed:

Homepage of Professor Jagdish Bhagwati, Columbia University
[http://www.columbia.edu/~jb38/]

Homepage of Kar-yiu Wong, University of Washington, WTO issues
[http://www.faculty.washington.edu/karyiu/Asia]

Homepage of University of Michigan, Research Seminar in International Economics
[http://www.spp.umich.edu/rsie/]

Homepage of Academic Consortium on International Trade (ACIT)
[http://www.spp.umich.edu/rsie/acit/]

National Bureau of Economic Research, Working Papers
[http://www.nber.org/]

Center for International Development at Harvard University, Global Trade Negotiations Home Page
[http://www.cid.harvard.edu/cidtrade/]

International Center for Economic Growth
[http://www.iceg.org/]

Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
[http://www.oecd.org/]

U.S. Trade Representative
[http://www.ustr.gov/]

World Bank
[http://www.worldbank.org]

World Bank Group, International Trade and Development
[http://www.worldbank.org//trade/]

World Bank and WTO, Trade & Development Centre
[http://www.itd.org/]

World Trade Organization
[http://www.wto.org/]

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