

**College of San Mateo  
Official Course Outline**

1. **COURSE ID:** BUS. 125    **TITLE:** International Business  
**Units:** 3.0 units    **Hours/Semester:** 48.0-54.0 Lecture hours; and 96.0-108.0 Homework hours  
**Method of Grading:** Letter Grade Only  
**Recommended Preparation:**  
    Eligibility for ENGL 100, or Eligibility for ENGL 105
  
2. **COURSE DESIGNATION:**  
**Degree Credit**  
**Transfer credit:** CSU; UC  
**AA/AS Degree Requirements:**  
    CSM - GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: E5b. Social Science  
**CSU GE:**  
    CSU GE Area D: SOCIAL SCIENCES: DSI - Social Institutions  
**IGETC:**  
    IGETC Area 4: SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES: Social and Behavioral Sciences
  
3. **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:**  
**Catalog Description:**  
    International Business introduces students to the integrated and interdependent global environment within which businesses operate. Using theoretical and practical perspectives, this course focuses on several aspects of the global marketplace: national differences; global trade and investment environment; global monetary systems; strategy and structure of international business; and international business operations.
  
4. **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME(S) (SLO'S):**  
    Upon successful completion of this course, a student will meet the following outcomes:
  1. Analyze a country's cultural, political, legal and economic conditions and their impact on businesses and consumers.
  2. Describe the global monetary system, international trade, foreign investment, and the role of treaties and trade associations.
  3. Evaluate a global business scenario and determine best form of entries and marketing strategies.
  
5. **SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES:**  
    Upon successful completion of this course, a student will be able to:
  1. Describe globalization and its impact on business.
  2. Demonstrate an understanding of modern inter-modal global transportation networks.
  3. Know international institutions and organizations.
  4. Describe different global market entry strategies.
  5. Demonstrate an understanding of how to adapt marketing to the global marketplace.
  
6. **COURSE CONTENT:**  
**Lecture Content:**
  1. Introduction and Overview:  
    Globalization  
    Drivers of Globalization  
    Changing Demographics of the Global Economy.
  
  2. Country Differences:  
    National Differences in Political Economy  
    Differences in Culture  
    Ethics in International Business
  
  3. Global Trade and Investment Environment:  
    International Trade Theory  
    Political Economy of International Trade  
    Foreign Direct Investment  
    Regional Economic Integration

4. The Global Monetary System:
  - Foreign Exchange Market
  - International Monetary System
  - Global Capital Market
5. The Strategy and Structure of International Business:
  - Strategy of International Business
  - Organization of International Business
  - Entry Strategy and Strategic Alliances
6. International Business Operations:
  - Exporting, Importing, and Countertrade
  - Global Production, Outsourcing, and Logistics
  - Global Marketing and R & D
  - Global Human Resource Management
  - Accounting in the International Business
  - Financial Management in the International Business

**7. REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:**

Typical methods of instruction may include:

- A. Lecture
- B. Guest Speakers
- C. Other (Specify): Case studies, group projects, oral presentations, role-playing, writing projects

**8. REPRESENTATIVE ASSIGNMENTS**

Representative assignments in this course may include, but are not limited to the following:

**Writing Assignments:**

Current events tracking journals, essays, term papers

**Reading Assignments:**

Case studies, assigned textbook chapters, business journals

**Other Outside Assignments:**

Internet-related assignments.

Newspapers and magazine articles, such as Newsweek, Business Week, The Asian Wall Street Journal, and The Economist.

**9. REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF EVALUATION**

Representative methods of evaluation may include:

- A. Class Participation
- B. Class Work
- C. Exams/Tests
- D. Homework
- E. Oral Presentation
- F. Papers
- G. Research Projects
- H. Written examination
- I. Current events tracking journal; Country business study; Essays

**10. REPRESENTATIVE TEXT(S):**

Possible textbooks include:

- A. Hill, Charles W.L.. *International Business Today*, 12th ed. New York, NY: McGraw Hill, 2022

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