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Introduction to Political Economy

First year module

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Introduction to Political Economy enables students to become acquainted with the style of analysis and the subject matter of the classical political economists. Such work is set within the context of a general introduction to the discipline.

Semester 2 enables students to understand the challenge to classical political economy of neoclassical economics, while also studying twentieth century dissenters to neoclassical orthodoxy. This broadens the students' knowledge of the language and concepts of political economy, set within the context of contemporary political and policy debates.

Learning Outcomes

Students are expected to:

- Understand the scope and contested nature of the study of political economy.
- Develop general analytical skills suitable to the subject area.

Assessment

- Term One: 2,000 words assessed essay 50%
- Term Two: Presentation 10%
- Term Three: 2 hour examination 40%

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