

COURSE GUIDE BOOK FOR SEMINAR ON SELECTED ISSUES IN CIVICS AND ETHICS

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| Program | Civics and Ethical Studies |
| Course Code | CESt:3082 |
| Course Credit | 03 |
| Course Title | Seminar on selected issues in in Civic and Ethics |
| Degree Program | BA in Civic and Ethics |

Course Description

The course is designed to acquaint students of Civic and Ethical Studies with fundamental civics and Ethical issues in general global issues in general. It also deals with the historical development of globalization and its effects on economic sovereignty. The course also discusses transnational organizations argument, environmental crisis and global warming including international environmental protection efforts, political issues such as Conflicts, Terrorism, and nuclear proliferation and bad governance. Moreover, the course introduces about various current global socio-economic issues including gender and corruption, child and drug trafficking, poverty and hungry, impact of rapid population growth and HIV/ AIDS.

Course Objective and Competences to be acquired

After the successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Identify various political, economic, environmental and social issues;
- Realize the impact of rapid population growth and HIV/ AID ;
- Investigate the impact of poverty in political relation;
- Examine how gender issues become one part of current global issue; and,
- Discuss about the sources, cusses, effects and combating mechanisms of corruption.

Course Outline

CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION ON CIVICS AND ETHICAL ISSUES

I.1. Defining Civic and Ethical Issues

CHAPTER TWO: CITIZENSHIP AND MORALITY

- 2.1. Rights and Responsibilities
- 2.2. Human Right protection
- 2.3. Corruption, Development and Citizenship
- 2.4. Gender and Development
- 2.5. Constitution and Rule of Law
- 2.6. Civic Virtue and Mal-Administration
- 2.7. Affirmative action
- 2.8. Moral Dilemmas and Crises; Rent Seeking, Brain drain, Emigration, Abortion, Begging, Prostitution and Others
- 2.9. Illegal Trafficking: Child trafficking and drug Trafficking
- 2.10. HIV/ AIDS: Damages and impacts on the individual and National levels;

CHAPTER THREE: GLOBALIZATION AND COSMOPOLITAN CITIZENSHIP

- 3.1. Introduction to Globalization
- 3.2. Globalization as a Historical Epoch
- 3.3. Types of Globalization

CHAPTER FOUR: ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND ENERGY INSECURITY

- 5.1 Environmental Issues
- 5.2 Effects of Environmental Crisis
- 5.3 Environmentalism
- 5.4 International Environmental Protection
- 5.5 Energy security and insecurity

CHAPTER FIVE: POLITICAL ISSUES

- 6.1. Conflicts and Human Insecurity
- 6.2. Democratization
 - 6.2.1. Actors of democratization
 - 6.2.2. Methods of democratization
 - 6.2.3. Phases of democratization
- 6.3. Good Governance
 - 6.3.1. Definition and nature of good governance
 - 6.3.2. Democratization and good governance
- 6.4. Terrorism
 - 6.4.1. Terrorism: definition debate and typology
 - 6.4.2. Threat of weapons of mass destruction
 - 6.4.3. Counter-terrorism

CHAPTER SIX: POVERTY AND UNDERDEVELOPMENT

- 7.1. Mass Poverty, Hunger and famine and
- 7.2. Human insecurity
- 7.3. Mass Poverty and Environmental degradation
- 7.4. Characteristics or features of Poverty,
- 7.5. Globalization and Global Poverty

CHAPTER SEVEN: TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME

- 8.1. Issues and actors in transnational organized crime
 - 8.1.1. Transnational criminal organizations
 - 8.1.2. Issues of transnational organized crime
- 8.2. Security and transnational crime
 - 8.2.1.1. International security
 - 8.2.1.2. National security
 - 8.2.1.3. Human security
- 8.3. Responses to transnational crime

CHAPTER EIGHT : ARMS AND ARMS CONTROL

- 9.1. Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and conventional weapons
 - 9.1.1. Nuclear weapons and their proliferation
 - 9.1.2. Chemical and Biological Weapons (CBW) and their proliferation
 - 9.1.3. Conventional weapons
- 9.2. Problems of arms and their control mechanisms
 - 9.2.1. Arms and arms control on the international agenda
 - 9.2.2. International control mechanisms

CHAPTER NINE: MIGRATION AND REFUGEE

- 10.1. Migration and refugee as a global issue
 - 10.1.1. Migration and refugee as a current issue
 - 10.1.2. Population movement: past and present
 - 10.1.3. Is there a refugee crisis?
- 10.2. Pros and cons of migration
 - 10.2.1. The economic dimension
 - 10.2.2. The social dimension
 - 10.2.3. The political dimension
 - 10.2.4. Migration and refugees on the international Politics

Teaching and learning methods

The mode of the delivery of the course combines lecture, tutorials, home study, group discussions, intensive readings, role play and class debates, independent and group assignments to make the course to have high

participatory and so in effort to develop ability of students to describing a contemporary political and socio-economic issues at global level.

Assessment

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| 1. Quiz 1. | 10% |
| 2. Quiz 2 | 10% |
| 3. Indiv. Assignment..... | 20% |
| 4. Mid exam..... | 20% |
| 5. Final..... | 40% |
| Total..... | 100% |

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