





5.00 credits

30.0 h

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Teacher(s)	De Leener Philippe ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	Following topics will be analyzed : - Africa in the world geopolitics - Dependency's mechanisms - Africa and the sleeping partners - The African debt - From structural adjustment to political adjustment - Enterprises and African entrepreneurship - Informal sector - Urban and rural Africa
Learning outcomes	<p><b>At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to :</b></p> <p>1 Analyze the main socio-economical pressures for Africa South of the Sahara and as a matter of fact in actual, recent and past history</p>
Evaluation methods	<p><b>Written examination</b> . Reflection questions in close connection with subject matters that have been deepened during the seminar.</p> <p>It is important to note that, due to the pandemic, other modalities, méthodes or procédures could be implemented.</p>
Teaching methods	<p><b>Participatory and active methods</b> will be prioritized from the beginning. Practical student experiences will be particularly valued. Professional and first line witnesses will be invited to share their own lived-through experiences closely related to matters treated during the course (field actors, researchers, activists, ...). Measures taken to prevent or combat the covid-19 pandemic could involve the implementation of other modalities, procedures, methods or approaches.</p>
Content	<p>The course will address <b>some key contemporary socioeconomic issues</b> related to Sub-Saharan African countries such as public debt, food sovereignty, land grabbing, informal economy, family features and dynamics, rural challenges, urban dynamics, ...</p> <p><b>Two principal objectives will be put forward</b> : (1) developing critical questioning capacity and (2) enhancing critical investigation capacity, both in the field of social dynamics and economy in Africa. The challenge pursued is to help students elaborate their own points of view and arguments with regards to situations prevailing in contemporary Africa.</p> <p>Measures taken to prevent or combat the covid-19 pandemic could involve the implementation of other modalities, procedures, methods, approaches, or contents.</p>
Other infos	It is advisable to have a basic knowledge on Subsaharan African contexts but it is not a definite prerequisite.
Faculty or entity in charge	PSAD

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Master [120] in Political Sciences: International Relations	SPRI2M	5		
Master [120] in Public Administration	ADPU2M	5		
Master [120] in Population and Development Studies	SPED2M	5		
Master [60] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M1	5		
Master [120] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M	5		