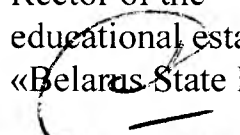


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**INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION**

Syllabus of educational establishment  
on training discipline for the specialty  
6-05-0311-03 «World economy»

The syllabus is based on the educational standard of higher education OCBO 6-05-0311-03 «World Economy», the standard syllabus for the academic discipline «World Economy» (Registration № ТД - Е.922/тип, 10.11.2022) and the training curriculums for the specialty 6-05-0311-03 «World Economy».

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

The training discipline «International economic integration» is aimed at studying the essence, features, stages, modern theories and types of integration, current trends, consequences and features of the development of integration of countries at different levels of development and in different regions of the world. Its study is predetermined by the significance and necessity of further development of integration processes and trade and economic relations of the Republic of Belarus, considering the study of advanced world experience.

**The purpose** of teaching training discipline: to develop students' theoretical and practical knowledge about the essence, theoretical foundations, types and stages, trends, consequences and features of the development of international economic integration of countries of different levels of development and different regions of the world.

Achieving the set goal involves solving the following **tasks**:

- study of the essence, features, classification of types and stages of international economic integration, economic and political theories that explain the development of international economic integration, the formation of skills and abilities to analyze trends in the development of international economic integration in the context of globalization;
- study of the consequences (effects) of international economic integration, the formation of skills and abilities to assess and monitor international economic integration;
- study of current trends and features of international economic integration between countries of different levels of development in Europe, Asia-Pacific region, North and Latin America, Caribbean region, Commonwealth of Independent States, Africa and Western Asia, the formation of skills and abilities to analyze them.

As a result of studying the training discipline «International economic integration», the following **competencies** are formed:

**basic professional:**

*Determine the advantages and consequences of international economic integration for the implementation of effective foreign economic activity*

As a result of studying the academic discipline, the student must

**know:**

different approaches to the definition and classification of types and stages of international economic integration;

history and current trends in the development of international economic integration;

economic and political theories of international economic integration;

static and dynamic, economic and political, positive and negative consequences of international economic integration;

basic approaches to assessing and monitoring international economic integration;

current trends in the development of international economic integration of countries of different levels of development in different regions of the world.

***be able to:***

analyze current trends in the development of international economic integration and its features in various regions of the world;

evaluate and monitor the consequences and the achieved level of development of international economic integration, justify the expediency of creating international integration associations;

use the advantages of international economic integration for the development of foreign economic activity of the enterprise and the national economy;

***have the skill of:***

assessing and monitoring the consequences and the level of development of international economic integration achieved;

preparing, concluding, and executing a trade and economic transaction, considering the norms of integration agreements and national legislation.

**The place of the training discipline** in the system of training a specialist with higher education: the training discipline belongs to the module «International Competition and Management» of the state component.

**Connection with other training disciplines:** the training discipline «International economic integration» is based on the study of the training discipline «World Economy» and is the basis for studying training discipline «Economy of Foreign Countries».

Form of education – full-time, part-time, part-time (on the basis of SSE).

In accordance with the university curriculum, the following is allocated for studying the academic discipline:

total number of academic hours – 120, auditory – 68 hours, of which lectures – 34 hours, seminars – 34 hours for full-time education;

total number of academic hours – 120, auditory – 16 hours, of which lectures – 8 hours, seminars – 8 hours for part-time education;

total number of academic hours – 120, auditory – 14 hours, of which lectures – 8 hours, seminars – 6 hours for part-time education (on the basis of SSE).

Auditory time distribution by courses and semesters:

5th semester – 34 hours of lectures, 34 hours of seminars for full-time education;

6th semester – 6 hours of lectures, 7th semester – 2 hours of lectures, 8 hours of seminars for part-time education;

4th semester – 4 hours of lectures, 5th semester – 4 hours of lectures, 6 hours of seminars for part-time education (on the basis of SSE).

Student's independent work:

52 hours for full-time education;

104 hours for part-time education;

106 hours for part-time education (on the basis of SSE).

Workload – 3 credits.

The form of midterm assessment is exam.

## TRAINING MATERIAL CONTENT

### **Topic 1. The subject of the training discipline. International economic integration as a developing system of economic relations**

Subject, purpose and structure of the training discipline «International Economic Integration». Essence, signs and causes of international economic integration. Integration and disintegration. Relationship with other economic categories: internationalization, transnationalization, globalization, regionalization.

Classification of international economic integration. Integration at the micro, meso, macro, mega and institutional levels. Real and formal integration. Top and bottom integration (institutional and private-corporate). Regional, subregional, interregional and global integration. Economic and full integration. Negative and positive integration. Symmetric and asymmetric integration. Sectoral and general integration.

Stages of international economic integration. Classification of Balassa B. (free trade area, customs union, common market, economic, monetary, and political union) and its modification in modern conditions. WTO rules on integration agreements. Deep and shallow integration. Development of international economic integration as a system of market relations.

History and current trends in the development of international economic integration. Number and structure of international integration agreements.

Theories of international economic integration. Neoclassical integration theory and the concept of a customs union. Market-institutional and dirigiste approaches. Criticism of the theory of the customs union. Free trade area models. Theoretical foundations of the common market. The theory of optimal currency areas. The evolution of political theories of integration. Theories of integration of developing countries. Soviet (Russian) school of integration. Development of the theory of integration in modern conditions.

Effects of international economic integration: static and dynamic, socio-economic and political-legal, positive and negative.

Assessment and monitoring of international economic integration.

### **Topic 2. International economic integration involving European countries**

Background, evolution, features and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of European countries.

European Union (EU): prerequisites and evolution of integration, conditions for entry and exit from the EU, the mechanism of the EU functioning, features, and problems of integration. Institutions and decision-making in the EU.

Stages of international economic integration in the EU. EU Customs Union. Common market for goods, services, capital, and labor in the EU. European Economic and Monetary Union. The main treaties and objectives of the EU.

Common EU policy. Common economic policy of the EU: budgetary, tax, transport, competitive, agricultural, regional, research and innovation, foreign trade and customs, environmental, industrial, energy, social, currency, monetary policy and

the European Monetary System. EU foreign and security policy, including development, neighborhood and enlargement policies. EU home affairs and justice policy.

EU sub-regional integration associations: Baltic Free Trade Area (FAFTA; 2004-2004) and the Baltic Assembly; Benelux. Interregional integration with the participation of the EU.

European Free Trade Association (EFTA): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems and consequences of integration. European Economic Space / Area (EES / EEA). Interregional integration agreements of the EFTA.

Central European Free Trade Agreement (CEFTA): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (CMEA), Visegrad Group.

Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with the countries and integration associations of Europe, their foreign economic policy in the region.

### **Topic 3. International economic integration involving the countries of North and Latin America, the Caribbean region**

Background, evolution, features, and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of America.

North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. NAFTA 2.0 / US-Mexico-Canada Agreement (US-MCA). Interregional integration agreements of NAFTA countries. Projects of the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) and the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).

Latin American Integration Association (LAAI): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, and consequences of integration. Latin American Free Trade Association (LAFTA). Interregional integration agreements of the LAAI countries.

Central American Common Market (CACM) and Central American Integration System (SICA): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, and consequences of integration. Interregional integration agreements of the SICA countries.

Andean Community (CAN, ANCOM): prerequisites and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Andean Group and Andean Pact. Andean Integration System (AIS). Interregional integration agreements of the CAN countries.

Group of three (G3) and its evolution. The Contadora Group and the Rio Group. Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) and the Bolivarian Alliance for the Americas (ALBA). Colombia-Mexico Free Trade Agreement (Group of Two, G2) and the Pacific Alliance. Interregional integration agreements of the countries of the Pacific Alliance.

Caribbean Community and Common Market (CARICOM): prerequisites and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Caribbean Free Trade Association (CARIFTA). Interregional integration agreements of CARICOM countries. Caribbean Common Market (CCM) and Caribbean Common Market and Economy (CER). Economic Union of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS).

Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Interregional integration agreements of the MERCOSUR countries. Union of South American Nations (UNASUR). Forum for the Progress and Integration of South America (PROSUR).

Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with the countries and integration associations of America, their foreign economic policy in the region.

#### **Topic 4. International economic integration involving countries of the Asia-Pacific region**

Background, evolution, features, and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of the Asia-Pacific region.

Closer Trade Relations Trade Agreement Australia and New Zealand / Australia-New Zealand Closer Economic Relations Trade Agreement (CER, ANZCERTA, CERTA): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Free Trade Agreements involving Australia and New Zealand: Papua New Guinea- Australia Trade and Commercial Relations Agreement (PATCRA), Free Trade Agreement of CER with ASEAN, etc.

The Pacific Islands Forum (PIF): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. PIF subregions: Pacific Island Countries Trade Agreement (PICTA), South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement (SPARTECA), Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations (PACER and PACER plus), Melanesian Spearhead Group (MSG), and Polynesian Leaders Group (PLG). Interregional integration agreements of the PIF countries.

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. ASEAN Free Trade and Investment Area. ASEAN community. ASEAN+3. Prospects for the creation of the East Asian Community (EAC). ASEAN+6. Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP). Interregional agreements of ASEAN and its member countries with third countries.

Bangkok Agreement (BANGKOK) and Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration.

South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. South Asian Preferential Trade Arrangement (SAPTA) and South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA). South Asian Growth Quadrangle (BBIN/SAGQ) and South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Program (SASEC). Inter-regional agreements of SAARC countries. Bay of Bengal Initiative on Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC). Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD).

Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Prospects for the establishment of the Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP). Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership (CTPPP).

Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with countries and integration associations of the Asia-Pacific region, their foreign economic policy in this region.

### **Topic 5. International economic integration involving countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States**

Background, evolution, features, and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. CIS Free Trade Area (CIS FTA).

The Union State of Belarus and Russia: prerequisites and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration.

Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Customs Union (CU) and Common Economic Space (CES). Interregional integration agreements of the EAEU with third countries. Greater Eurasian Partnership (GEAP) project.

Organization for Democracy and Economic Development (GUAM): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Inter-regional integration agreements of the GUAM countries with third countries.

Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Interregional integration agreements of the SCO countries with third countries.

Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with other CIS countries, their foreign economic policy in the region.



## **Topic 6. International economic integration involving Africa and the Persian Gulf**

Background, evolution, features, and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of Africa and the Persian Gulf.

Southern African Development Community (SADC) and its sub-regional integration association - the Southern African Customs Union (SACU): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of the integration of South African countries. Cooperation and integration of SADC and SACU countries with third countries and their integration associations.

East African Community (EAC): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Cooperation and integration of the EAC countries with third countries and their integration associations.

Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of integration. Cooperation and integration of COMESA countries with third countries and their integration associations.

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and its sub-regional integration associations - the Mano River Union (MRU) and the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences integration of West African countries. Cooperation and integration of ECOWAS countries with third countries and their integration associations.

Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) and its subregional integration associations - Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa (CEMAC) and the Economic Community of The Great Lakes Countries (CEPGL): background and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of the integration of Central African countries. Cooperation and integration of ECCAS countries with third countries and their integration associations.

Pan African integration. Union of Independent African States (UIAS). Organization of African Unity (OAU). Cross-Border Initiative (CBI). African Economic Community (AEC). Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD). African Union (AU) and COMESA-EAC-SADC Tripartite Free Trade Area. New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD).

Union du Maghreb arabe (UMA): prerequisites and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems and consequences of the integration of North African countries. Cooperation and integration of the UMA countries with third countries and their integration associations.

Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf; Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC): prerequisites and evolution, goals and directions, stages and prospects, institutional structure, features, problems, and consequences of the integration of Western

Asian countries. Cooperation and integration of the GCC countries with third countries and their integration associations.

Interregional integration of the countries of Africa and Western Asia (including the countries of the Persian Gulf): the League of Arab States (LAS), the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) and the Pan-Arab FTA (PAFTA) / Greater Arab FTA (GAFTA); the Middle East Free Trade Area (MEFTA) with the participation of the United States; Euromed FTA / Euro-Mediterranean FTA / EU-MED FTA (EMFTA) with the participation of the EU and the Arab Mediterranean FTA (AMFTA) / Agadir Agreement. Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO).

Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with the countries and integration associations of Africa and Western Asia, their foreign economic policy in the region.

## ACADEMIC MAP OF THE TRAINING DISCIPLINE «INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION»

## Full-time form of higher education

Number of topic, section	Nameo of section, topic	Number of auditory hours							Literature	Forms of knowledge control
		lections	practical studies	seminar studies	laboratory studies	Number of hours of supervised in-dependent work				
						lections	practical studies	seminar studies		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
5 semester										
Topic 1	The subject of the training discipline. Inter-national economic integration as a develop-ing system of economic relations	4							[2, 4, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 32, 63]	
	The subject of the training discipline. Inter-national economic integration as a develop-ing system of economic relations			4						Test, express survey, control work
Topic 2	International economic integration in-volving European countries	8							[2, 4, 8, 10, 11, 17, 32, 44, 48, 54, 55, 63]	
	International economic integration in-volving European countries			8						Test, express survey
Topic 3	International economic integration in-volving the countries of North and Latin America, the Caribbean region	6							[2, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 39, 45, 46, 47, 57, 59, 60, 61, 63, 67, 68]	
	International economic integration in-volving the countries of North and Latin America, the Caribbean region			6						Test, express survey

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Topic 4	International economic integration involving countries of the Asia-Pacific region	6							[2, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 41, 42, 43, 58, 62, 63, 64]	
	International economic integration involving countries of the Asia-Pacific region			6						Express survey, control work, essay
Topic 5	International economic integration involving countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States	6							[1, 2, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 63]	
	International economic integration involving countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States			6						Express survey, control work
Topic 6	International economic integration involving Africa and the Persian Gulf	4							[2, 6, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 38, 40, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 56, 63, 65, 66, 69]	
	International economic integration involving Africa and the Persian Gulf			4						Express survey, control work, essay
<b>Total 5 semester</b>		<b>34</b>		<b>34</b>						<b>Exam</b>
<b>Total hours</b>		<b>34</b>		<b>34</b>						

## ACADEMIC MAP OF THE TRAINING DISCIPLINE «INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION»

## Part-time form of higher education

Number of topic, section	Name of section, topic	Number of auditory hours				Literature	Forms of knowledge control
		lections	practical studies	seminar studies	laboratory studies		
6 semester							
Topic 1	The subject of the training discipline. International economic integration as a developing system of economic relations	2				[2, 4, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 32, 63]	Express survey, test, control work
Topic 2	International economic integration involving European countries	2				[2, 4, 8, 10, 11, 17, 32, 44, 48, 54, 55, 63]	Express survey, test
Topic 3	International economic integration involving the countries of North and Latin America, the Caribbean region	2				[2, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 39, 45, 46, 47, 57, 59, 60, 61, 63, 67, 68]	Express survey, test
Total 6 semester		6					
7 semester							
Topic 4	International economic integration involving countries of the Asia-Pacific region	2				[2, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 41, 42, 43, 58, 62, 63, 64]	Express survey, test, essay
Topic 5	International economic integration involving countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States			4		[1, 2, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 63]	Express survey, test
Topic 6	International economic integration involving Africa and the Persian Gulf			4		[2, 6, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 38, 40, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 56, 63, 65, 66, 69]	Express survey, test, essay
Total 7 semester		2		8			Exam
Total hours		8		8			

## ACADEMIC MAP OF THE TRAINING DISCIPLINE «INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION»

Part-time form of higher education (on the basis of SSE)

Number of topic, section	Name of section, topic	Number of auditory hours					Literature	Forms of knowledge Control
		lections	practical studies	seminar studies	laboratory studies			
4 semester								
Topic 1	The subject of the training discipline. International economic integration as a developing system of economic relations	2				[2, 4, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 32, 63]	Express survey, test, control work	
Topic 2	International economic integration involving European countries	2				[2, 4, 8, 10, 11, 17, 32, 44, 48, 54, 55, 63]	Express survey, test	
Total 4 semester		4						
5 semester								
Topic 3	International economic integration involving the countries of North and Latin America, the Caribbean region	2				[2, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 39, 45, 46, 47, 57, 59, 60, 61, 63, 67, 68]	Express survey, test	
Topic 4	International economic integration involving countries of the Asia-Pacific region	2				[2, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 41, 42, 43, 58, 62, 63, 64]	Express survey, test, essay	
Topic 5	International economic integration involving countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States			2		[1, 2, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 63]	Express survey, test	
Topic 6	International economic integration involving Africa and the Persian Gulf			4		[2, 6, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 32, 38, 40, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 56, 63, 65, 66, 69]	Express survey, test, essay	
Total 5 semester		4		6			Exam	
Total hours		8		6				

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### **List of questions for the exam**

1. Subject, purpose and structure of the training discipline "International economic integration". Essence, signs and causes of IEI.
2. Classification of international economic integration.
3. Stages of international economic integration. WTO rules on integration agreements.
4. History and current trends in the development of international economic integration.
5. Theories of international economic integration.
6. Effects of international economic integration.
7. Assessment and monitoring of international economic integration.
8. Background, evolution, features and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of European countries. Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with the countries and integration associations of Europe, their foreign economic policy in the region.
9. European Union (EU): prerequisites and evolution of integration, conditions for entry and exit from the EU, the mechanism of the EU functioning, features and problems of integration. Institutions and decision-making in the EU.
10. Stages of international economic integration in the EU: customs union. common market, economic and monetary Union. The main treaties and objectives of the EU.
11. Common EU policy.
12. EU sub-regional integration associations: Baltic Free Trade Area (FAFTA; 2004-2004) and the Baltic Assembly; Benelux. Interregional integration with the participation of the EU.
13. European Free Trade Association (EFTA). European Economic Space / Area (EES / EEA). Inter-regional integration agreements of the EFTA.
14. Central European Free Trade Agreement (CEFTA). Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (CMEA). Visegrad Group.
15. Background, evolution, features and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of America. Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with the countries and integration associations of America, their foreign economic policy in the region.
16. North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA; NAFTA 2.0 / USMCA). Interregional integration agreements of NAFTA countries. Projects of the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) and the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).
17. Latin American Integration Association (LAAI). Latin American Free Trade Association (LAFTA).
18. Central American Common Market (CACM). Central American Integration System (SICA).
19. Andean Community (CAN, ANCOM). Andean Group and Andean Pact
20. Group of three (G3) and its evolution. The Contadora Group and the Rio Group. Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) and the Boli-

varian Alliance for the Americas (ALBA). Group of Two (G2) and the Pacific Alliance.

21. Caribbean Community and Common Market (CARICOM). Caribbean Free Trade Association (CARIFTA). Economic Union of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS).

22. Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR). Union of South American Nations (UNASUR). Forum for the Progress and Integration of South America (PROSUR).

23. Background, evolution, features and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of the Asia-Pacific region. Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with countries and integration associations of the Asia-Pacific region, their foreign economic policy in this region.

24. Closer Trade Relations Trade Agreement Australia and New Zealand / Australia-New Zealand Closer Economic Relations Trade Agreement (CER, ANZCERTA, CERTA). Cross-regional FTAs involving Australia and New Zealand.

25. The Pacific Islands Forum (PIF) and its subregions: Pacific Island Countries Trade Agreement (PICTA), South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement (SPARTECA), Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations (PACER and PACER plus), Melanesian Spearhead Group (MSG), and Polynesian Leaders Group (PLG).

26. Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). ASEAN+3. Prospects for the creation of the East Asian Community (EAC), ASEAN+6 and Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP).

27. Bangkok Agreement (BANGKOK) and Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA).

28. South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC). South Asian Preferential Trade Arrangement (SAPTA) and South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA). South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Program (SASEC). Bay of Bengal Initiative on Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC).

29. Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC). Prospects for the establishment of the Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP). Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership (CTPPP).

30. Background, evolution, features and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of the CIS. Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with other CIS countries, their foreign economic policy in the region.

31. Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). CIS Free Trade Area (CIS FTA). Agreement on free trade in services, establishment, activities and investment within the CIS.

32. The Union State of Belarus and Russia.

33. Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU). Customs Union (CU) and Common Economic Space (CES). Interregional integration agreements of the EAEU with third countries. Greater Eurasian Partnership (GEAP) project.

34. Organization for Democracy and Economic Development (GUAM).
35. Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO).
36. Background, evolution, features and geographical structure of international economic integration with the participation of the countries of Africa and the Persian Gulf. Economic cooperation of the Republic of Belarus and the EAEU with the countries and integration associations of Africa and Western Asia, their foreign economic policy in the region.
37. Southern African Development Community (SADC) and its sub-regional integration association - the Southern African Customs Union (SACU).
38. East African Community (EAC).
39. Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA).
40. Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and its sub-regional integration associations: Mano River Union (MRU) and the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU).
41. Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) and its sub-regional integration associations: Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa (CEMAC) and the Economic Community of The Great Lakes Countries (CEPGL).
42. Pan African integration. Union of Independent African States (UIAS). Organization of African Unity (OAU). Cross-Border Initiative (CBI). African Economic Community (AEC). Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD). African Union (AU) and COMESA-EAC-SADC Tripartite Free Trade Area. New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD).
43. Arab Maghreb Union (UMA).
44. Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf; Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC).
45. Interregional integration of the countries of Africa and Western Asia: the League of Arab States (LAS), the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) and the Pan-Arab FTA (PAFTA) / Greater Arab FTA (GAFTA); the Middle East Free Trade Area (MEFTA); Euromed FTA / Euro-Mediterranean FTA / EU-MED FTA (EMFTA) and the Arab Mediterranean FTA (AMFTA) / Agadir Agreement. Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO).

### **Organization of independent work of students**

In order to obtain competencies in the training discipline, independent work of students is an important stage.

For independent work of a full-time / part-time / part-time (on the basis of SSE) 52 / 104 / 106 hours are allocated.

The content of independent work of students includes all topics of the academic discipline from the section «Training material content».

The following forms of independent work are used when studying the academic discipline:

- in-depth study of sections, topics, individual questions, concepts;

- preparation for control works;
- preparation for seminar classes, including preparation of reports, thematic reports, information and demonstration materials, abstracts, presentations, essays, etc.;
- working with educational, reference, analytical and other literature and materials;
- preparing for passing the midterm assessment.

### **Knowledge acquisition quality control**

Knowledge acquisition quality diagnostics is carried out within the framework of current control and midterm assessment.

*Current* control activities are carried out during the semester and include the following forms of control:

- control work;
- test;
- express survey in the classroom;
- essay.

Current certification in the academic discipline is conducted three times in the 5th semester.

The results of the current certification for the semester, obtained during the events of the current certification, are assessed by a mark in points on a ten-point scale and are reflected in the statement of current certification on the training discipline.

#### Requirements for a student when passing the midterm assessment.

Students are admitted to the midterm assessment in an academic discipline subject to successful completion of the current assessment (implementation of current control activities) in the academic discipline provided for in the current semester by this curriculum.

Midterm assessment is carried out in the form of an exam.

### **Methodology for forming a grade for a training discipline**

In accordance with the Regulation on the rating system for assessing the knowledge, skills and abilities of BSEU students, the grade for the training discipline is formed based on the grade in seminar classes – 40% (written tests, control works or tests on sections of the curriculum of the discipline – 40%, oral surveys or other forms in seminar classes, including the results of the student's guided independent work – 60%) and the grade in the exam – 60% of the final grade.

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#### Requirements for a student when passing the midterm assessment.

Students are admitted to the midterm assessment in an academic discipline subject to successful completion of the current assessment (implementation of current control activities) in the academic discipline provided for in the current semester by this curriculum.

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**SYLLABUS NEGOTIATION PROTOCOL  
WITH OTHER ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES OF THE SPECIALTY**

Name of the discipline with which to negotiate	Name of the department	Proposals for changes in the content of the training syllabus of higher educational establishment	Action taken by the department that developed the syllabus (with date and non-Protocol)
1	2	3	4
Economy of Foreign Countries	Department of international business	The content of the training syllabus of higher educational establishment is agreed. No changes are required.	No changes are required. Protocol № 4 of 15.11.2024.

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I. B. / 15.11.2024



ADDITIONS AND CHANGES OF TRAINING SYLLABUS  
 ON THE STUDYED TRAINING DISCIPLINE  
 «INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION»  
 for 2025 / 2026 academic year

№	Additions and changes	Reason for Change
1	Changes in the list of recommended literature	Outdated
2	Changes to the academic map of the training discipline have been made	Changed references to literature

Training syllabus revised and approved at the department meeting

(protocol № \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_)

Head of department  
candidate of economic sciences,  
associate Professor

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APPROVE  
Dean of the Faculty  
candidate of economic sciences,  
associate Professor

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