MULTILEVEL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION DESIGN
Syllabus of educational establishment on training discipline
for the specialty
1-25 80 02 «World economy»

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The training discipline «Multilevel Economic Integration Design» is an independent discipline studied at the choice of the for master students on specialty 1-25 80 02 «World Economy», enrolled in the proffiliation «International Economics and Commercial Diplomacy». In it master students are receive a systemic view of international economic integration, the peculiarities of its design and regulation on different levels.

The objective of the discipline teaching: formation of master’s theoretical and practical knowledge about the peculiarities of designing of effective multilevel systems of international economic integration and developing of appropriate integration policies.

The tasks of the discipline teaching:
- to generate a systemic knowledge on international economic integration and integration policies, as well as abilities and skills of analysis of levels and trends of its development, application of methods and tools of integration policy to regulate integration systems;
- to generate a systemic knowledge about design of integration systems at different levels, as well as abilities and skills of application of methods and tools of system engineering for the design of effective systems of international economic integration and their life cycle processes that meet the goals and objectives of the integration policies of the State, the rules of the multilateral trading system of the WTO, the current trends;
- to generate a knowledge about the effectiveness and static and dynamic economic and political effects of the international economic integration for participating countries, third countries and the world economy as a whole, as well as the abilities and skills of their evaluation and monitoring;
- to generate a knowledge about the peculiarities of designing of multilevel integration systems with the participation of countries at different levels of development and in different regions of the world, develop abilities and skills of adaptation of this practical experience for designing of integration system with the participation of the Republic of Belarus and EAEU, as well as the use of generated knowledge for access to markets of this countries.

As a result of studying discipline master students must:

to know:
- the essence, levels, stages, effects and modern trends of development of the system of international economic integration, the different approaches to its assessment and monitoring;
- the essence, objectives, multilevel tasks, structure, methods and tools of integration policy of State and the WTO rules in relation to integration agreements;
- the essence, objectives, multilevel tasks, principles, stages, methods and tools for design of effective multilevel integration systems and their life cycle processes;
- features of design of multilevel integration systems with the participation of countries at different levels of development and in different regions of the world.

to be able to:
- to analyse trends and identify problems, constraints, conflicts in the functioning and development of international economic integration at various levels;
- to design integration systems at various levels, taking into account the goals and objectives of the integration policies of the State, the rules of the multilateral trading system, the WTO, the current trends of development of the world economy;
- to justify the effectiveness and effects of implementing the selected integration projects, develop concepts, strategies, methods and measures for appropriate integration policies;
- to take advantage of international economic integration and integration policy for the development of foreign economic relations of the Republic of Belarus and accessing new markets;
  to have:
  - skills of evaluating and monitoring of the effectiveness and effects of international economic integration, the breadth and depth of the integration process;
  - skills of application of methods and tools of system engineering for designing effective systems of international economic integration and their life cycle processes;
  - skills of application of methods and tools of integration policies to improve the effectiveness of the system of international economic integration, with the participation of the Republic of Belarus, development of foreign economic relations of the Republic of Belarus and its economic actors.

Links with other training disciplines: training discipline «Multilevel Economic Integration Design» is based on the training disciplines «Macroeconomic analyses and policy», «Microeconomic analyses and policy», «World Economy and Foreign Economic Policy» and is the basis for the studying of special disciplines and training disciplines according to the choice of the master students.

In accordance with the training plan of higher educational establishment on speciality 1-25 80 02 «World Economy» training discipline is studying during 108 hours, including for full-time form of education 42 auditory study hours (26 hours of lections, 16 hours of face-to-face workshops), for part-time form of education 12 auditory study hours (8 hours of lections, 4 hours of face-to-face workshops).

Form of control is exam.
Topic 1. International economic integration as a developing multilevel system

Subject, purpose and structure of the teaching module «Multilevel Economic Integration design».

International economic integration (IEI) as developing multilevel system: essence, signs, prerequisites, peculiarities and place in national and world economic system (geoeconomy). Development and regulation of IEI as a system of economic relations: emergence, formation, maturity, regression and disappearance. Integration and disintegration. Integration and adaptation. Internationalization, transnationalization, integration and globalization.

Levels in the system of IEI. Integration on a micro-, mezo-, macro-, mega-economic and institutional (interstate and supranational) levels. Levels of institutionalization of IEI. Integration institutions: formal and informal. Real and formal integration (quasi-integration). Top and bottom integration (institutional and privat corporate integration). Changes on amicroeconomic level of integration.

Integration agreement: definition, types. Regional, subregional, interregional and megaregional integration agreements. Bilateral and multilateral integration agreements.


Topic 2. Multilevel economic integration design and integration policy in modern conditions

Integration economic policy in the system of IEI: definition, necessity, objectives and multilevel tasks.

Directions for integration economic policy. National, regional and international directions of integration policy of the State. Domestic and external direction of integration economic policy of the State.

Types of the integration economic policy. Integration policy of closed and open regionalism. Integration policy of old and new regionalism. Interstate and supranational integration policy. Structural (sectoral, regional, reproduction, technological) and stabilization integration policy. Policy of integration block formation (crea-
tion), policy of integration block enlargement, policy on market access, policy on market entry.

Multilevel economic integration design of the system pf IEI: definition, the necessity, interrelation with integration economic policy.


Objectives, tasks and stages of multilevel economic integration design.

**Topic 3. Efficacy and effects, assessment and monitoring of international economic integration**

Efficacy and effects in the system of IEI: definitions, approaches to assessment and monitoring. Integration, economic growth and development.

Static economic effects of IEI. Positive static effects in the conditions of perfect competition: trade creation and trade diversion, consumption, production, redistribution of welfare from state to consumers and producers and revenue reduction effects, terms of trade improvement effects, trade costs reduction, investment creation, transport costs, spillover, feedback. Positive static effects in the conditions of imperfect competition: shift in production effect, pro-competitive effect. Negative static effects: negative effects of international investment, investment diversion.

Dynamic economic effects of integration. Positive dynamic effects of integration: spatial distribution and structural changes (localization), economy on scale, accumulation, economic grows, convergence, domino. Negative dynamic effects of integration: negative interdependency, loose of economic sovereignty, rise of costs of economic decision-making, divergence, structural changes, negative social effects. Integration and externalities. Effects of currency union and optimal currency area.

Political effects of integration: effect of rise a political and economic security, demonstration, bargaining power increase, stabilization of domestic economic policy, coordination of action of member-countries.

Methods of assessment and monitoring of microeconomic and meso-economic level of integration. Evaluation of the level and dynamics of integration of markets of goods, services, labour resources, capital.

Methods of assessment and monitoring for macroeconomic and mega-economic level of integration. Evaluation of the level and dynamics of economic convergence. Indicators of integration in macroeconomic policy.

Methods of assessment for institutional level of integration. Evaluation of institutional cooperation based on expert poll and data from integration organisations.

**Topic 4. Multilevel economic integration design in developed economies**

Design of integration system of the European Union (EU). Sub-regional integration projects of the EU: the Baltic free trade area (BAFTA) and the Baltic Assembly, the Benelux, Visegrad Group, the Nordic Council, Craiova Group. Interregional
integration agreements of the EU with third countries. Euro-Mediterranean Free Trade Area (EMFTA).

Design of integration system of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA). European economic area (EEA). Inter-regional integration projects of EFTA with third countries.


Design of integration system of Israel.


Design of integration system of Japan.

**Topic 5. Multilevel economic integration design in developing and transition economies**

Design of integration systems of Latin American and the Caribbean countries. Regional, sub-regional and interregional integration projects of the countries of the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR), Andean Community (ANCOM), Caribbean Community and Common Market (CARICOM), Pacific Alliance (PA), Central American Integration System (SICA / CAIS). Integration agreements of Chile, Peru, Mexico, Colombia, Costa Rica, Panama, Honduras, Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Brazil, etc.

Design of integration systems of Southeast and South Asia. Regional, sub-regional and interregional integration agreements of countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA), South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation (SAARC). Integration agreements of R. of Korea, Singapore, India, China, Malaysia, Pakistan, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam, Laos, Philippines, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Brunei, Myanmar, Cambodia, etc.

Design of integration systems of North African and Western Asian countries. Regional, sub-regional and interregional integration projects of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Arab Maghreb Union (AMU). Integration agreements of Turkey, Jordan, Egypt, Morocco, Bahrain, Libya, Iran, etc. Pan-Arab (Grater) Free Trade Area (PAFTA / GAFTA).

Design of integration system of the Central European Free Trade Agreement (CEFTA).

Design of integration systems in Africa. Regional, sub-regional and interregional integration projects of the countries of the Southern African Development Community (SADC), East African Community (EAC), Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS), African Union (AU) and the Tripartite Free Trade Area COMESA-EAC-SADC.
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INFORMATION AND METODIC PART

Methodological recommendations on organization of independent work of master students on training discipline

In receiving knowledge on training discipline an important stage is the independent work of master students. We recommend that the budget time for independent work on average from 1.5 to 2 hours for 2-hour auditorium lesson.

The main directions of the independent work of master students are:
- initial familiarization with the syllabus of training discipline;
- acquaintance with a list of recommended literature, its study and selection of additional literature;
- work with the political map of the world, maps of integration groups, figures, diagrams and tables;
- studying of materials of different databases of international economic organizations on integration agreements and official sites of integration associations, ministries of foreign affairs of individual countries;
- studying and expansion of the material of lectures given by lector, on the basis of information from the additional literature, consultations;
- preparation for seminary studies on specially designed plans to study primary and secondary literature;
- preparation of the main forms of control (survey, test);
- preparation for the exam.

Normative and legal acts

General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), 1994.
General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS), 1994.
Enabling Clause for GATT, 1979, L/4903.
Free Trade Area Agreement, 2011.
The Treaty on the Union State, 1999.
LITERATURE

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Training syllabus revised and approved at the department meeting

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