

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSE INFORMATION

Please find a provisional list of the courses that we expect to be offered by the **Department of International Development** (ID) during the academic year 2025-2026. Please note that the links will be updated to the 2025-26 academic year in August:

- [DV407](#): Poverty (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV410](#): Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (full unit, Autumn and Winter Terms).
For MSc Development Management (Political Economy), MSc Development Management (Applied Development Economics), MSc Development Management (Political Economy)(LSE/Sciences Po), MSc Development Management (Applied Development Economics)(SE/Sciences Po), MSc Development Studies, MSc Health and International Development, MSc International Development and Humanitarian Emergencies only
- [DV411](#): Population, Development and Environment: an Analytical Approach (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV413](#): Environmental Problems and Development Interventions (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV415](#): Global Environmental Governance (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV418](#): African Development (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV420](#): Complex Emergencies (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV421](#): Critical perspectives on global health and development (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV424](#): International Institutions and Late Development (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV428](#): Managing Humanitarianism (core course for MSc IDHE students – half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV433](#): The Informal Economy and Inclusive Development (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV435](#): African Political Economy (core course for African Development (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV442](#): Key issues in Development Studies (core course for MSc HID and MSc IDHE - half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV443](#): Development Management Consultancy Project (core course for MSc DM (Applied Development Economics and Political Economy) & MSc DM/SciPo (ADE and PE) – half unit, Autumn and Winter Terms)
- [DV444](#): Global Health Challenges: Epidemics, Disease, and Public Health Response (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV445](#): Cutting Edge Issues in Development Thinking & Practice (Autumn and Winter Terms)
- [DV453](#): Health and Development Consultancy Project (half unit, Autumn and Winter Terms)
- [DV455](#): Advocacy, Campaigning and Grassroots Activism (half unit, Autumn term)
- [DV457](#): Sexual and Reproductive Health Programmes: Design, Implementation and Evaluation (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV458](#): Key issues in Global Health and Development (core course for MSc HID – half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV462](#): Forced Migration and Refugees (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV464](#): Democracy and Development (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV465](#): Labour, Social Services and Development (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV466](#): Humanitarian Consultancy Project (half unit, Autumn and Winter Terms)
- [DV467](#): Famine, Data skills and Analysis (half unit, Autumn and Winter Terms)
- [DV468](#): Development: History, Theory and Policy (core course for MSc Development Studies – half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV469](#): The Political Economy of Development (core course for MSc Development Management - Political Economy, MSc Development Management - Political Economy (LSE/SciPo), MSc Development Management - Applied Development Economics, MSc Development Management -Applied Development Economics (LSE/SciPo) - half unit – Autumn Term)
- [DV473](#): Health, conflict and crises (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV477](#): Rural Livelihoods, Development and Social Transformation (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV480](#): Development Transformations: The Political Economy of Colonialism, Revolution and Reform (half unit, Autumn Term)

- [DV490](#): Economic Development Policy I: Applied Policy Analysis for Macroeconomic Development (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV491](#): Economic Development Policy II: Microeconomic Analysis (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV492](#): Economic Development Policy III: Government Policy Analysis (half unit, Winter Term)
- [DV494](#): Foundations of Applied Econometrics for Economic Development Policy (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [DV495](#): Dissertation in Economic Development Policy (full unit). *For MSc Economic Policy for International Development only*
- [DV496](#): Applied Econometrics for Economic Development Policy (half unit, Winter Term). *For MSc Economic Policy for International Development only*

Other department courses convened by ID staff

- [MY476](#) Population Analysis: Methods and Models (half unit, Autumn Term)
- [MG460](#) Emergencies Management: Humanitarian Intervention and Digital Innovation (half unit, Winter Term)

The following changes are in place for ID courses during the 2024/2025 academic year.

Suspended courses

- [DV423](#): Global Political Economy of Development (half unit)
- [DV432](#): China in Developmental Perspective (half unit)
- [DV434](#): Human Security (half unit)
- [DV454](#): Gender, labour markets and social change in the Global South: theory, evidence, public action (half unit)
- [DV456](#): Population, Health and Development: Evidence and Projections (half unit)
- [DV470](#) Famine and Food Security Crises
- [DV472](#): Covid - 19 pandemic: health, socio-economic and political implications for development
- [DV483](#): Information Communication Technologies and Socio-economic Development (half unit)

Programme regulation changes

Programme	From	To
MSc Development Management (Political Economy)	<p>Development Management – MSc Development Management (LSE/SciPo)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DV431 Development Management (1.0) 2. DV443 Development Management Consultancy Project (0.5) 3. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0) <p>DV445 Cutting Edge Issues in Development Thinking & Practice (0.0)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Optional courses to the value of 1.5 units 	<p>MSc Development Management (Political Economy) – MSc Development Management (Political Economy) LSE/SciPo</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DV469 The Political Economy of Development (0.5) 2. DV443 Development Management Consultancy Project (0.5) 3. At least two courses to the value of 1.0 unit from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DV424 International Institutions and Late Development (0.5) DV464 Democracy and Development (0.5) DV480 Development Transformations: The Political Economy of Colonialism,

		<p>Revolution and Reform (0.5)</p> <p>4. Optional courses to the value of 1.0 unit</p> <p>5. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0)</p>
MSc Development Management (Applied Development Economics)	<p>Development Management – MSc Development Management (LSE/SciPo)</p> <p>1. DV431 Development Management (1.0)</p> <p>2. DV443 Development Management Consultancy Project (0.5)</p> <p>3. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0)</p> <p>DV445 Cutting Edge Issues in Development Thinking & Practice (0.0)</p> <p>1. Optional courses to the value of 1.5 units</p>	<p>MSc Development Management (Applied Development Economics) – MSc Development Management (ADE) LSE/SciPo</p> <p>1. DV469 The Political Economy of Development (0.5)</p> <p>2. DV443 Development Management Consultancy Project (0.5)</p> <p>3. DV494 Foundations of Applied Econometrics for Economic Development Policy (0.5)</p> <p>4. Two from:</p> <p>DV490 Economic Development Policy I: Applied Policy Analysis for Macroeconomic Development (0.5)</p> <p>DV491 Economic Development Policy II: Microeconomic Analysis (0.5)</p> <p>DV492 Economic Development Policy III: Government Policy Analysis (0.5)</p> <p>Plus one from:</p> <p>DV424 International Institutions and Late Development (0.5)</p> <p>or</p> <p>DV464 Democracy and Development (0.5)</p> <p>5. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0)</p>
MSc Development Studies	<p>1. DV400 Development: History, Theory and Policy (1.0)</p> <p>2. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0)</p> <p>DV445 Cutting Edge Issues in Development Thinking & Practice (0.0)</p> <p>3. Optional courses to the value of 2 units:</p>	<p>1. DV468 Development: History, Theory and Policy (0.5)</p> <p>2. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0)</p> <p>DV445 Cutting Edge Issues in Development Thinking & Practice (0.0)</p> <p>3. A minimum of two from:</p> <p>DV407 Poverty (0.5)</p> <p>DV411 Population, Development. and Environment: an Analytical Approach (0.5)</p> <p>DV413 Environmental Problems and Development Interventions (0.5)</p> <p>DV418 African Development (0.5)</p>

		<p>DV423 Global Political Economy of Development (0.5)</p> <p>DV424 International Institutions and Late Development (0.5)</p> <p>DV428 Managing Humanitarianism (0.5)</p> <p>DV433 The Informal Economy and Inclusive Development (0.5)</p> <p>DV458 Key issues in Global Health and Development (0.5)</p> <p>DV465 Labour, Social Services and Development (0.5)</p> <p>DV477 Rural Livelihoods, Development and Agrarian Transformation (0.5)</p> <p>DV494 Foundations of Applied Econometrics for Economic Development Policy (0.5)</p> <p>4. Optional courses to the value of 1.5 units</p>
MSc International Development and Humanitarian Emergencies	<p>1. DV442 Key Issues in Development Studies (0.5)</p> <p>2. DV428 Managing Humanitarianism (0.5) and DV466 Humanitarian Consultancy Project (0.5) Alternatively, with the approval of the Programme Director, students may be permitted to take the following course instead of DV466:</p> <p>DV467 Famine, Data skills and Analysis (0.5)</p> <p>3. Courses to the value of 1.0 unit(s) from the following:</p> <p>DV420 Complex Emergencies (0.5)</p> <p>DV455 Advocacy, Campaigning and Grassroots Activism (0.5)</p> <p>DV462 Forced Migration and Refugees (0.5)</p> <p>4. Optional courses to the value of 0.5 units.</p> <p>5. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0), DV445 Cutting Edge Issues in Development Thinking & Practice (0.0)</p>	<p>1. DV442 Key Issues in Development Studies (0.5)</p> <p>2. DV428 Managing Humanitarianism (0.5) and DV466 Humanitarian Consultancy Project (0.5)</p> <p>3. Courses to the value of 1.0 unit(s) from the following:</p> <p>DV420 Complex Emergencies (0.5)</p> <p>DV455 Advocacy, Campaigning and Grassroots Activism (0.5)</p> <p>DV462 Forced Migration and Refugees (0.5)</p> <p>DV467 Famine, Data skills and Analysis (0.5), (cannot be taken with 'Famine and Food Security Crises')</p> <p>DV473 Health, Conflict and Crises (0.5)</p> <p>4. Optional courses to the value of 0.5 units</p> <p>5. DV410 Research Design and Dissertation in International Development (1.0),</p>

Course name change

Course	From	To
DV433	The Informal Economy and Development	The Informal Economy and Inclusive Development

DV453	International Development Consultancy Project	Health and Development Consultancy Project
DV469	Development Management	The Political Economy of Development
DV480	Transforming Society: Revolutions, Evolutions and Colonialism	Development Transformations: The political economy of colonialism, revolution and reform

Specialisms

Available for programmes MSc Development Studies, MSc Health and International Development only

There are four specialisms in the department - African Development, Population Studies, Applied Development Economics and Environment. If you are choosing a specialism, you must do so at the beginning of your programme by applying to the appropriate courses. Then towards the end of the programme, each specialism lead needs to verify whether your dissertation is aligned with the specialism. Subject to the approval by the specialism lead you will be eligible for a specialism. Students will then have their specialism attached to their degree certificate and transcript. Please read the following information carefully as there have been some changes:

- **African Development:** students must take African Development (DV418) and African Political Economy (DV435). Further to this, their dissertation topic must be approved as being appropriate for this specialism.
- **Population Studies:** students must take two courses from the following: Global Health Challenges: Epidemics, Disease, and Public Health Response (DV444); Population Analysis: Methods and Models (MY476); and Population, Development and Environment: an Analytical Approach (DV411). Further to this, their dissertation topic must be approved as being appropriate for this specialism.
- **Applied Development Economics:** students must take Foundations of Applied Econometrics for Economic Development Policy (DV494) and two courses from the following: Economic Development Policy I (DV490); Economic Development Policy II (DV491); Economic Development Policy III (DV492). Please note there is limited availability for this specialism.
- **Environment:** students must take two courses from the following: DV411 Population, Development and Environment: an Analytical Approach; DV413 Environmental Problems and Development Interventions; DV415 Global Environmental Governance. Further to this, their dissertation topic must be approved as being appropriate with the stream convenor.

Please note: that doing a specialism is entirely optional. While a specialism has certain advantages, it does have a disadvantage in that it constrains your course choices. Students have the freedom to opt out of taking a specialism at any point of time. It is entirely voluntary, and a vast majority of students do not take a specialism.