

What is Globalization

What is globalization? Is it the integration of economic, political, and cultural systems across the globe? Or is it Americanization and United States dominance of world affairs? Is globalization a force for economic growth, prosperity, and democratic freedom? Or is it a force for environmental devastation, exploitation of the developing world, and suppression of human rights?

Globalization101.org is dedicated to providing students with information and interdisciplinary learning opportunities on this complex phenomenon. Our goal is to challenge you to think about many of the controversies surrounding globalization and to promote an understanding of the trade-offs and dilemmas facing policy-makers.

Globalization101.org provides users with information in five important ways:

Issue Briefs - In-depth exploration of some of the major aspects of globalization

News Reports - Breaking news and analysis on events relating to globalization

Ask the Experts - Webcast interviews that connect users directly with scholars

Useful Links - A comprehensive and constantly updated research tool

For Teachers - Resources for teachers to use in teaching Globalization101.org

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We at **Globalization101.org** welcome comments and suggestions from students, teachers, and other readers of our site. Feedback on ways in which we can make the site more applicable for classroom use is particularly welcome. Also, please let us know if there are any additional subjects you would like to see addressed by **Globalization101.org**.

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Praise for the site

A curriculum writer for the Ford PAS-funded Education Development Center wrote about Globalization101. *"It was absolutely clear to me that it [glob101] was the most comprehensive, balanced, accessible, and engaging resource out there on globalization..."*

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a student's guide to globalization



Issue Briefs



Trade

Economic analysis, theory, insights on increasing trade - a big aspect of globalization



Technology

Technology is a driving factor in globalization, increasing productivity but posing controversy



Investment

Foreign investment is one of the most powerful effects - and causes of globalization



Health

A look at new concerns and opportunities for global health, changing agricultural production



Culture

An exploration of the effects of globalization on global culture - a sensitive, subtle issue



Environment

A look at the effects of globalization on ecosystems, climate, and the atmosphere



Migration

Globalization leads to the free movement of goods, services, and money... and people



The IMF and the World Bank

Addresses the development of and issues facing the IMF and World Bank



Development

The need and the means to provide better lives for people in poor countries



Women & Globalization

Addresses women's role in the economic and political spheres and other realms.

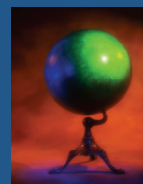


International Law and Organizations

The scope and authority of international law have expanded dramatically

News Reports

News reports are short analyses of recent events related to globalization. We strive to give a balanced presentation of the facts, and we explain the differing opinions of governments, international organizations, and non-governmental organizations on important developments.



Ask the Experts

This page contains downloadable video files for you to watch Globalization101.org interviews with some of the important policy-makers who visit the Center for Strategic & International Studies. Simply click on the buttons on this page to view the interviews at your convenience.

Check back frequently to see when the next interviews are planned to take place, and submit your questions for these interviews via e-mail by clicking on the page's "submit" button. When the video is on the website, watch it to see the expert answer your question.

Useful Links

This page contains links to websites from governments, international organizations, non-governmental organizations, media, businesses, and other groups from around the world to help you research further the complex phenomenon of globalization.

We do not, however, endorse the viewpoints of any of the groups to which we link.

For Teachers

This page contains various resources for educators who would like to use Globalization101.org in their classrooms. Click on the buttons on this page to find out why teaching globalization is important, to download free lesson plans tied to our Issue Briefs, and to learn about how to get paid for field-testing the lesson plans with your class. Check back frequently for new lesson plans and other resources.