

PSS331 Global Food Security

Level: 3

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JULY

Synopsis:

PSS331 Global Food Security introduces students to the global food system, highlighting its underlying process-related attributes and exploring its related challenges. The topics will encourage students to consider the critical question of how to feed the growing global population, taking into account climate change, globalisation, shifting demographics and new technologies. This course reviews food security from a broader perspective, prompting students to address the gaps from a public safety perspective. Accessibility to food is an essential right, and this course illustrates the need to develop sustainable food systems based on the principles of social justice and democratic decision-making. By reviewing real-world reports, students will be able to recognise the social and cultural aspects of food production and consumption.

Topics:

- Global food security
- Challenges in achieving food security
- Climate change
- Globalisation and food supply
- Social and cultural dimension of food security
- Competing agricultural products
- Economic thinking and food security
- Food policies and programmes
- Safe and nutritious food
- Sustainable food systems
- Collaborative processes for food security
- Research and evaluation methods

Learning Outcome:

- Compare the development of food policies and programmes
- Appraise the strategies in strengthening food security
- Analyse the social and cultural dimensions of food security
- Examine the food security index
- Determine the prevalence of hunger and food insecurity
- Illustrate the challenges in achieving food security
- Discuss urban food production initiatives

Assessment Strategies (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PRE-COURSE QUIZ 1	5

Overall Continuous Assessment	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	25
	GROUP BASED ASSIGNMENT 1	15
	DISCUSSION BOARD 1	5
Overall Examinable Components	Written Exam	50
Total		100