

Identification	Subject (Code, title, credits)	PSIR 413: Theories of European Integration 3KU /6ECTS credits	
	Department	Political Science and Philosophy	
	Level	Undergraduate level	
	Term	Fall 2021	
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	Classroom/hours	41 Mehseti str. (Neftchilar campus), Friday 17:00-20:00	
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Prerequisites	None		
Language	English		
Compulsory/Elective	Elective		
Required textbooks and course materials	<p>John McCormick. European Union Politics, Palgrave Macmillan; Palgrave Foundations edition, 2011.</p> <p>Wiener, A., & Diez, T. European integration theory. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009.</p> <p>Rosamond, B. Theories of European Integration. Palgrave Macmillan, 2000.</p> <p>Cini, M., & Pérez-Solórzano, B. N. European Union politics. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010.</p> <p>Borhardt, K.-D. The ABC of European Union law. Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union, 2010.</p>		
Course outline	The course discusses the main intellectual traditions of integration theories and applies them to the EU integration process/project. To do so, the course provides structured answers to the following key questions: What are the basic assumptions of the EU integration theories? What do they contribute to the understanding of EU integration? What are their key mechanisms? Where are similarities and differences?		
Course objectives	The course aims at familiarizing students with grand integration theories and capacitating them to connect multi-dimensional EU integration processes on the ground and integration theories in academia. Course intends to discuss the historical context of integration theories via the exploration and analysis of the cold war and post-cold war environment to better grasp their reflexivity and spatiotemporal natures. Besides, the course plans to treat the theories not as neutral lenses but active agents with co-constitutive capacity (power/knowledge) when to be used to structure the social reality on the ground.		
Learning outcomes	Students gain an understanding of the EU integration theories and are competent to analyze the EU integration project/process from the analytical lenses of the integration theories. They are familiar with the interplay between social phenomenon and theory. They are able to identify the positionality of the theories via analyzing their space and time bounded (European) contexts and able to develop consistent arguments and communicating these in clear, concise and persuasive forms.		
Evaluation	Methods	Date/deadlines	Percentage (%)
	Midterm evaluation	To be determined by the Dean's Office	30
	Attendance		5

	Active participation in debate and group discussions		5
	Term paper		10
	PPP (presentation)		10
	Final exam	To be determined by the Dean's Office	40
	Total		100
Policy			
Tentative Schedule			
Date/Day (subject to change, if necessary, on holidays)	Topics	Readings	
Week 1 October 1	Understanding integration	John McCormick (2011) European Union Politics, Palgrave Macmillan; Palgrave Foundations edition (pp.11-27)	
	Introducing the Mosaic of Integration Theory	Wiener, A., & Diez, T. (2009). European integration theory. Oxford: Oxford University Press. (pp.1-22)	
Week 2 October 8	What is European Union?	McCormick (2011) European Union Politics, (pp.27-42)	
	Guidelines to write a term paper	A sample will be provided	
Week 3 October 15	Who are the Europeans?	McCormick (2011) European Union Politics, (pp.42-60)	
Week 4 October 22	Organizing Post-War Europe	McCormick (2011) European Union Politics, (pp. 60-77)	
	Federalism	Wiener, A., & Diez, T. (2009). European integration theory. (pp.25-39)	
Week 5 October 29	Building Post-war Europe	McCormick (2011) (pp.77-94)	
	Functionalism	Rosamond, B. (2000). Theories of European Integration. Palgrave Macmillan. (pp. 31-42)	
Week 6 November 5	Paving the Way to European union	McCormick (2011) (pp.94-112)	
	Transactionalism	Rosamond, B. (2000). Theories of European Integration. (pp. 42-49)	
Week 7 November 12	To Lisbon and Beyond	McCormick (2011) (pp.112-130)	
	Neo-functionalism	Cini, M., & Pérez-Solórzano, B. N. (2010). European Union politics. Oxford: Oxford University Press. (71-86)	
Week 8 November 19	The Treaties	McCormick (2011) (pp.130-146)	

Week 9 November 26	The member states	McCormick 2011 (pp.146-165)
Week 10 December 3	The European Commission	McCormick (2011) (pp.167-186)
	Supranationalism	Rafael Leal-Arcas, Theories of Supranationalism in the EU
Week 11 December 10	The Council	McCormick (2011) (pp.186-203)
	Intergovernmentalism	Cini, M., & Pérez-Solórzano, B. N. (2010). European Union politics. (86-104)
Week 12 December 17	The European Parliament/European Council	McCormick (2011) (pp.203-220) Borchardt, K.-D. (2010). The ABC of European Union law. Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union. (pp.53-61)
	Liberal-intergovernmentalism	Wiener, A., & Diez, T. (2009). European integration theory. (pp.67-87)
Week 13 December 24	The European Court of Justice, Specialized Agencies, Parties and Interest groups, Elections, and Referendum, Public Opinion	McCormick (2011) (pp.220-288) only selected extracts
	Governance	Wiener, A., & Diez, T. (2009). European integration theory. (pp.91-104)
Week 14 December 31	The EU as a Global Actor	McCormick (2011) (pp.409-425)
	Policy networks	Wiener, A., & Diez, T. (2009). European integration theory. (pp.105-124)
Week 15 January 7, 2022	The EU and the World	McCormick (2011) (425-441)
	New theories of European integration	Cini, M., & Pérez-Solórzano, B. N. (2010). European Union politics. (pp.104-123)