

Identification	Subject	PSIR 410– Political System and Foreign Policy of European Union - 3KU /6ECTS credits
	Department	Political Science and Philosophy
	Program	Undergraduate
	Term	Fall, 2023
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Prerequisites	Consent of instructor	
Language	English	
Compulsory/Elective	Required	
Required textbooks and course materials	<p>Core books:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Charlotte Bretherton and John Vogler. The European Union as a Global Actor. Second Edition, London and New York, 2006 (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 2. Fraser Cameron. The Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union, past, present and future. Sheffield Academic Press (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 3. Caterina Carta and Jean-Frederic Morin. EU Foreign Policy through the Lens of Discourse Analysis, Making Sense of Diversity. Ashgate Publishing Company (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 4. Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union. The Enduring Logic of Regional Integration, 2010 (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) <p>Supplementary:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Christopher Hill and Michael Smith. International Relations and the European Union. Second edition, Oxford University Press, 2011 (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 2. Jolyon Howorth. Security and Defence Policy in the European Union. Second Edition, 2014 (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 3. Jan Orbie. Europe's Global Role. External policies of the European Union. Ashgate Publishing Company (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 4. Erik Jones and Saskia van Genugten. The Future of European Foreign policy. London and New York, 2009 (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 5. Richard G Whitman and Stefan Wolff. The European Neighbourhood policy in perspective. Context, Implementation and Impact, 2010 (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 6. Maurizio Carbone. The European Union and International Development, London and New York, 2009 (Available at EU Studies Center of Khazar University) 	
Course outline	This course is designed for the undergraduate students. Course addresses such questions as political system of the European Union, the contexts and actors of EU governmental decision-making, origin, objectives, formulation and execution of foreign policy of the EU, as well as the external dimension of European integration.	
Course objectives	<p>Objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This course is aimed to give the students the general knowledge about the role of the European Union in world politics, federal, supranational, interinstitutional, intergovernmental and transnational features of the EU polity. We will begin with a general overview and then go into more details. 	

	<p>Generic Objective of the Course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To meet curriculum requirements of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. <p>Specific Objectives of the Course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support the students academically, to improve their chance of realizing their potential To encourage students participation and interaction and fostering, and atmosphere of tolerance and respect To support the students to improve their ability to discuss and to defend their position To build background for the students' further development in Law and International Relations 		
Learning outcomes	<p>By the end of the course the students should be able:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To build up and work with a team for decision making. To consider external and internal factors while making a decision To develop and interpret political statements To evaluate alternative projects and suggest one with maximum utility To prepare an essay 		
Teaching methods	Lecture		x
	Group discussion		x
	Experiential exercise		
	Simulation		x
	Case analysis		x
	Course paper		x
	Others		
Evaluation	Methods	Date/deadlines	Percentage (%)
	Midterm Exam		30
	Class Participation		5
	Project (Essay)		15
	Presentation/Group Discussion		10
	Final Exam		40
	Total		100
Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation for class The structure of this course makes your individual study and preparation outside the class extremely important. The lecture material will focus on the major points introduced in the text. Reading the assigned chapters and having some familiarity with them before class will greatly assist your understanding of the lecture. After the lecture, you should study your notes and work relevant problems from the end of the chapter and sample exam questions. Withdrawal (pass/fail) This course strictly follows grading policy of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. Thus, a student is normally expected to achieve a mark of at least 60% to pass. In case of failure, he/she will be required to repeat the course the following term or year. Cheating/plagiarism Cheating or other plagiarism during the Quizzes, Mid-term and Final Examinations will lead to paper cancellation. In this case, the student will automatically get zero (0), without any considerations. <p>Essay</p> <p>We appreciate an ability of students to prepare a good essay. The essay should be</p>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An original research of the students. • Written according to the international standards with introduction, internal parts, conclusion, and used special literature. • Limited in size (10 -12 pages/Times New Roman - 12). • Printed in computer, and has a cover page. <p>Students have to make presentation on the essay topic. This activity will be evaluated on the basis of two components: the written copy and presentation.</p> <p>As soon as it is possible, we will offer you a list of themes for essays. Every student can choose for the essay a theme with the consent of instructor.</p> <p>Essay requirements/standards are available in DPSIR.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Professional behavior guidelines The students shall behave in the way to create favorable academic and professional environment during the class hours. Unauthorized discussions and unethical behavior are strictly prohibited.
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Tentative Schedule

We ek	Date/Day (tentative)	Topics	Textbook/Assignments
1	21.09. 2023	<p>Introduction to the Course: Main actors in International Politics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syllabus and its Requirements • How to Prepare the Essay 	The Course Syllabus
2	28.09.2023	<p>Theory and Practice of Modern European Integration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political Thinkers, Writers and Statemen • Postwar Political Theories of European Integration • Peaks and Troughs of Modern European Integration • Political Theory of European Integration Revisited 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 59-90
3	05.10.2023	<p>The Economic and Legal Foundations of the European Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Economics of the European Community • The Law of the European Community 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 91-124
4	12.10.2023	<p>The Contexts and Actors of EU Governmental Decision-making</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The contexts of EU Governmental Decision-making • EU Member Governments, Institutions and NGOs • Political Parties and Electorates • Actors Outside of the European Union 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 131-142
5	19.10.2023	<p>Conscience of the European Union: The Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointment and Delegation • Structure • Function and Agency • Role in EU Governmental Decision-making • Taking Stock 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 143-156
6	26.10.2023	<p>Sovereigns and Fulcrum of Political Power in the European Union: The European Council and the Council of Ministers</p>	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 157-165

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure and Function • Role in EU Governmental Decision-making • Taking Stock 	
7	02.11.2023	Voice of the European Union: The European parliament <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership and Composition • Structure • Powers and Role in in EU Governmental Decision-making • Taking Stock 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 166-178
8	09.11.2023	National Flag Day	
9	16.11.2023	European Union Finances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Budgetary Process • The Auditor of the European Union • The Banks of the European Union 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 179-182
10	23.11.2023	Midterm Exam	
11	30.11.2023	The Outputs of EU Governmental Decision-making <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal Market • Common Commercial policy • Monetary Policy • Regional Development • Justice and Home Affairs 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 197-244
12	07.12.2023	Origin, Objectives, Formulation and Execution of EU Foreign Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Embryonic Foreign policy • Formative Years • End of Innocence • International Learning 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 245-256
13	14.12.2023	Multilateral Functional Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multilateral Trade and Foreign development • Humanitarian Aid • Human Rights and Democratization Efforts • Climate Change • Criminal Justice 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 257-259
14	21.12.2023	Multilateral Security Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationship with NATO • EU Security Operations • Nonproliferation, Disarmament and Arms Control • Combating Crime and Terrorism 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 260-266
15	28.12.2023	Bilateral Relations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Europe and Western Balkans • Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Russia • EU-Azerbaijan Relations • Mediterranean Basin and Turkey • The Middle East • Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia • Wester Hemisphere and the United States 	Roy H. Ginsberg. Demystifying the European Union, pages 267-286
	TBA	Final Exam	

This syllabus is a guide for the course and any modifications to it will be announced in advance.

