

EUROPEAN POLITICS
Course Outline

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Course objectives

This course introduces students to the political construction of the European Union and its policies.

Class timings

Class sessions take place from the 6th to the 10th of September, from 9am to 3pm.

Course plan

Session	Topic
10 Apr	Introduction
	Mapping the European Union
	Origins and rationale of European integration Recommended reading: 0. Dinan, D. (2003) "How did we get here?" in E. Bomberg and A. Stubb (eds) <i>The European Union: How Does it Work?</i> , Oxford: OUP, chapter 1
11 Apr	Institutions I: Commission and Council Reading: EU brochure
	Institutions II: Parliament and Courts Reading: EU brochure
12 Apr	The Single Market Compulsory reading: 1. Egan, M. (2013) "The Single Market" in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solorzano (eds) <i>European Union Politics</i> , 4 th edition, Oxford: OUP, chapter 19
	Policies Compulsory reading: 2. Nugent, N. (2003) "Policies", in <i>The government and Politics of the European Union</i> , Houndmills: Palgrave Recommended reading: 3. Uçarer, E. (2013) "Area of Freedom, Security and Justice" in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) <i>European Union Politics</i> , 4 th edition, Oxford: OUP, ch 21 4. Verdun, A. (2013) "Economic and Monetary Union" in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solorzano (eds) <i>European Union Politics</i> , 4 th ed, Oxford: OUP, ch22
	Policies Recommended reading: 5. Sbragia, A. (2003) "Key Policies" in E. Blomberg and A. Stubb (eds) <i>The European Union: How Does it Work?</i> , Oxford: OUP, chapter 8 EU system of governance Class exercise

13 Apr	<p>Foreign policy</p> <p>Recommended reading:</p> <p>6. Keukeleire, S. and Delreux, T. (2014) <i>The Foreign Policy of the European Union</i>, 2nd ed, Houndmills: Palgrave, chapter 7: “The Common Foreign and Security Policy” (CFSP)</p> <p>7. Keukeleire, S. and Delreux, T. (2014) <i>The Foreign Policy of the European Union</i>, 2nd ed, Houndmills: Palgrave, chapter 7: “The Common Security and Defence Policy” (CSDP)</p>
	<p>Theories of integration</p> <p>Compulsory reading:</p> <p>8. Strobby Jensen, C. (2013) “Neo-functionalism” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) <i>European Union Politics</i>, 4th ed, Oxford: Oxford University Press, chapter 5</p> <p>Recommended reading:</p> <p>9. Cini, M. (2013) “Intergovernmentalism” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano, (eds) <i>European Union Politics</i>, 4th ed, Oxford: Oxford University Press, chapter 6</p> <p>10. Risse. T. (2001) “A European Identity?” in M. Cowles Green, J. Caporaso and T. Risse (eds) <i>Transforming Europe</i>, Ithaca: Cornell University Press</p>
	<p>Guest lecture:</p> <p>Deputy Ambassador Raymonds Vigris, EU Delegation to the Kyrgyz Republic „EU Relations with Central Asia“</p> <p>Recommended reading:</p> <p>13. Bodio, T. (2014) „The evolution of EU policy in Central Asia“, in T. Wallas et al. (eds) <i>European Union and Central Asia</i>, Berlin: Logos</p>
14 Apr	<p>The EU as a model of regional integration</p> <p>Recommended reading:</p> <p>11. Alecu, N. and Regelsberger, E. (2005) „The EU and Interregional Co-operation“, in C. Hill and M. Smith (eds) <i>The European Union and International Relations</i>, 2nd ed, Oxford: OUP</p> <p>Enlargement</p> <p>Recommended reading:</p> <p>12. Perez-Solórzano, N. and Juncos, A. (2013) “Enlargement” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) <i>European Union Politics</i>, 4th ed, Oxford: OUP, chapter 17</p>
	<p>Revision and final discussion</p>
	<p>Final Exam</p>

Assessment:

50% oral participation

50% final exam

Additional bibliography:

Egeberg, M. (2013) “European Commission” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) *European Union Politics*, 4th ed, Oxford: OUP, ch. 10

Eising, R. and Lehringer, S. (2013) “Interest groups in the European Union” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) *European Union Politics*, 4th edition, Oxford: OUP, chapter 13

Lewis, J. (2013) “The Council of the European Union and the European Council” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) *European Union Politics*, 4th ed, Oxford: OUP, ch 11

Burns, C. (2013) “The European Parliament” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) *European Union Politics*, 4th ed, Oxford: Oxford University Press, chapter 12

Kapsis, I. (2013) “The Courts of the European Union” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) *European Union Politics*, 4th ed, Oxford: OUP, ch 13

Eising, R. and Lehringer, S. (2013) “Interest groups in the European Union” in M. Cini and N. Perez-Solórzano (eds) *European Union Politics*, 4th edition, Oxford: OUP, chapter 13

Wilks, S. (2010) “Competition Policy” in H. Wallace, M. Pollack and A. Youngs (eds) *Policy-Making in the European Union*, 6th edition, Oxford: Oxford University Press, chapter 6

Meunier, S. and Nikolaidis, K. (2011) “The European Union as a trade power” in C. Hill and M. Smith (eds) *The European Union and International Relations*, 2nd edition, Oxford: OUP.