

European Union

Term: Fall 2022

ECTS credits: 5

Lessons per week: 2 x 90 min Language: English

Instructor: prof. Iveta Radičová
Form of study: Lecture + class discussion

Prerequisites

Introduction to Political sociology, Political science

Course description

Understanding of sense, structures, principals, procedures of EU.

Course objectives

Good governance in recent Europe, the waves and steps of constructing EU, what went wrong in EU, how is the future of EU?

Office Hours

Tuesdays, 12:00 – 13:00

Course Requirements and Evaluation

30% **Active attendance** at seminars, participation in debates, preparedness for class 30% 7 various **written assignments:** essays, tests, quizzes (essay -- 3 short essays for the 1st year/ one longer essay of 5 to 7 pages for the 2nd and 3rd year students. It is important to offer written feedback for any written assignment.)

10% Presentation

10% **Midterm exam/task** (e.g., elaboration of 1 out of 3 or 2 out of 5 given themes, at home or in class) – (*Mid-term is optional**)

20% **Final test** (comprehensive written exam) – (*Final test is optional**)

The instructor is expected to provide a midterm evaluation to all students.

Grading System

A – excellent: 100-93% B – very good: 92-84% C – good: 83-74% D – satisfactory: 73-63% E – sufficient: 62-51% Fx – fail: 50-0%

^{*} If you do not offer either midterm or final exam, you increase the value of the written assignments.



Passing a course assumes that a student was not absent at more than 4 lessons.

Academic Integrity

Plagiarism is unacceptable.

Texts

Mandatory readings

Iveta Radičová: "To be or not to be – European Union?

EU treaties

Note: for the 1st year courses – lecture book + texts (recommended c. 10 pages/week) 2nd and 3rd year – texts (recommended min. 15 pages/week)

*****This syllabus is subject to change.****