

VALIDATED ELECTIVE MODULES

EUROPE AND EUROPEAN INTEGRATION: ECONOMICS, POLITICS AND POLICIES

1. MODULE SUMMARY

Aims and Summary

The module aims to analyze the process of European integration in the context of Europe understood as a continent – broader and more complex than the EU itself. The course will bridge student's knowledge on the process of European integration with the contemporary challenges for Europe sensu largo, the integration process, EU's position in international relations, geopolitical alternatives, regional politics and EU's policy areas. Students will obtain in-depth knowledge of the integration process, analyze critically the structure and functioning of the EU institutions, discuss the potential directions of EU development and assess the influence of relevant stakeholders. The module will accent on the economic, political and social dimensions of the European integration.

Module Size and credits

CATS points	20.0
ECTS credits	10.0
Total student study hours	200
Number of weeks	12
School responsible	Łazarski University, Faculty of Economics and Management
Academic Year	2021-2022

Entry Requirements (pre-requisites and co-requisites)

None

Excluded Combinations

None

Composition of module mark (including weighting of components)

Coursework 60%: composed of an essay;

Final exam 40%

Pass requirements

To pass the course a student must score at least 40% of the overall weighted average and not less than 35% for each assessment component (i.e. final exam and coursework). Re-assessment: coursework component(s) and/or examination as appropriate.

Special Features

None

Course stages for which this module is mandatory

None

Course stages for which this module is a core option

MA Year 2 International Relations (level 7)

2. TEACHING, LEARNING AND ASSESSMENT

Intended Module Learning Outcomes

1. Upon completion of this module, the student should be able to:
2. Critically analyze the process of European integration;
3. Deliberate on the alternative possibilities for further development in Europe
4. Critically evaluate EU policies and reflect on their consequences.
5. Recognize the specifics of EU's functioning and the complexity of factors influencing the geopolitical situation in Europe.

Indicative Content

- The idea of united Europe – from century's long utopia to practical implementation.
- The economic roots of European integration.
- The economics of integration. Economic integration, labour markets and migration.
- Economics of preferential liberalization, EU competition and state aid policy.
- Theories of Europeanization and De-Europeanization.
- EU's structure – roots, causes, consequences. Between technocracy and national interest.
- Intergovernmentalism and supranationalism. Reflecting on the role of member states and EU institutions in the integration process.
- The values of united Europe – shared or implied? The role of rule of law and human rights in the European integration.
- The deficit of democracy in the European Union.
- The dynamics of EU geopolitics. Prospective members, neighbors and the role of other regional players.
- Contemporary challenges – economic crisis, EURO, migration, premature and unfinished enlargements, Brexit.
- Quo vadis Europae? Alternative scenarios on the future of the European Union and their implications for Europe.

Teaching and Learning

This module will be taught by means of lectures and self-directed study.

Formative Assessment: Comments will be given on assessments, and tutorial guidance will be provided for coursework and exam.

Student activity and time spent on each activity comprises:

Guided	0 hours	(0%)
Lecture	0 hours	(0%)
Self-guided	140 hours	(70%)
Seminar	60 hours	(30%)
Workshop	0 hours	(0%)
Total	200 hours	

Method of Assessment (normally assessed as follows)

The intended learning outcomes will be assessed as follows:

- Essay (60% – 6 Credits): 3500 words; contribute to learning outcomes 1 and 2
- Final exam (40% – 4 Credits): 120 minutes; contributes to learning outcomes 3 and 4

Re-sit

Students failing any component of assessment, at the first attempt, is entitled to one re-sit attempt. This will be by new examination and/or new coursework scheduled for the next assessment opportunity. For coursework, if more than one element existed in the first attempt, this may be combined into one assessment for re-sit.

Date of last amendment

23-07-2021

3. MODULE RESOURCES**Essential Reading**

Cini, M., Perez-Solorzano, N.B., 2019. *European Union Politics*. 6th ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Baldwin, R., Wyplosz, C., 2015. *The Economics of European Integration*. 5th ed. London: McGrawHill.

Olsen, J., McCormick, J., 2016. *The European Union: Politics and Policies*. Boulder: Westview press.

Recommended Reading

Mayer, H., Vogt, H., 2006. *A Responsible Europe?: Ethical Foundations of EU External Affairs*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Nugent, N., 2006. *The Government and Politics of the European Union*. 6th ed. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Peterson, J., Bomberg, E., Stubb, A., 2010. *The European Union - How Does it Work?* 2nd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Wallace, H., Wallace, W., 2000. *Policy-Making in the European Union*. 4th ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Zielonka, J., 2007. *Europe as Empire, The Nature of the Enlarged European Union*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

DeGrauwe, P., 2005. *Economics of the Monetary Union*. 4th ed. London: Oxford University Press.

Neal, L., 2007. *The Economics of Europe and the European Union*, Cambridge – New York: Cambridge University Press.

Weatherill, S., Beaumont, P., 2002. *EU Law*. 5th ed. London: Penguin.

Taylor, J.B., 2008. *The Financial Crisis and the Policy Responses: An Empirical Analysis of What Went Wrong*. Stanford: Stanford University Press.

Required Equipment

None

4. MODULE ORGANISATION**Module leader**

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Length and month of examination

120 minutes in January

Expected teaching timetable slots

Timetable information should be verified with the School responsible for the module

No timetable information available

Subject Quality and Approval information

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