

HISTORY AND POLITICS OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

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1. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is an introduction to the history and politics of the European Union. Topics to be covered include the history of ideas of unification, the historical backdrop of European integration, specific issues and challenges for the integration process, such as European security, transatlantic ties, economic motives, European institutions, politics, challenges of Eastern enlargement, as well as current issues of the day. The principal goal is to develop an understanding of the complex history of the European integration process, to be able to theorize such processes, in order to comprehend past and present policy challenges.

2. COURSE SCHEDULE

07/23, 10:45-12:15: Session I: "Europe" As Idea and Reality. Historical Overview

Welcome, Syllabus, Format, Assignments

Coudenhove-Kalergi, Richard. "The Pan-European Outlook." *International Affairs* (Royal Institute of International Affairs 1931-1939) 10.5 (Sep., 1931): 638-651.

Edward, David. "The Moral Case for Europe" Talk at Europa Institute / UACES Lecture, University of Edinburgh, 8 March 2013.

07/23: 13:30-15:00: Session II: Nations and Empires

Hösle, Vittorio. "The European Union and the U.S.A.: Two Complementary Versions of Western 'Empires'?" In: *Symposium (Canadian Journal of Continental Philosophy / Revue canadienne de philosophie continentale)* 14: 1 (2010): 22-51.

07/25: 10:45-12:15: European Integration and its Discontents

Moravcsik, Andrew. "The myth of Europe's 'democratic deficit'." *Intereconomics* 43.6 (2008): 331-340.

07/25, 13:30-15:00: A Growing Union

Pöttering, Hans-Gert. "The Schuman Plan 60 Years Later: A Model for the Middle East?" *European View* 9 (2010): 93-96.

07/30, 09.00-12.15: European Identity

Ash, Timothy Garton. "Is Britain European?" *International Affairs* 77.1 (2001): 1-13.

07/30, 09.00-10.30: A Crisis for Europe?

Snyder, Timothy. "Fascism Returns to Ukraine." *The New Republic* May 11, 2014.
<http://www.newrepublic.com/article/117692/fascism-returns-ukraine>.

Arendt, Hannah. "We Refugees." *Menorah Journal* 31.1 (1943): 69-77.

08/01, 10.00-12.00: Final Session

Concluding Discussion, Final Paper Due

3. GRADING

Final average grade: final exam covering all subjects of the course program (70%) and active participation in class (30%).

4. BIBLIOGRAPHY

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