



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Political Science

1SK116 Europeisk (dis)integration, 7,5 högskolepoäng

European (dis)integration, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

Political Science

Subject

Political Science

Level

First cycle

Progression

G1N

Date of Ratification

Approved 2020-06-10.

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The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2025.

Prerequisites

General entry requirements.

Objectives

Upon completion of the the course, students shall be able to:

- describe and critically analyse the European integration process from a historical perspective,
- describe, analyse and critically evaluate the conditions, driving factors and obstacles within the European integration process,
- describe, analyse and critically evaluate theories of European integration,

- analyse the contemporary development within the European integration process,
- define and formulate a research question relevant to the field of political science,
- apply political science analysis to organisations, phenomena and issues within the European integration process.

Content

The course in European (dis)integration highlights the signification of European integration and the European Union. The course focuses on the historical development and the origin of the European integration process and provides an overview of the theories that describe European integration and disintegration. The course is thus an introduction into how European integration may be understood and analysed. It presents important ideas, tendencies and developments within the integration process and discusses contemporary events and theories concerning the European Union.

Type of Instruction

Teaching consists of lectures and seminars.

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades A, B, C, D, E or F.

Grade A represents the highest grade on the scale, and the subsequent grades follow in descending order, where grade E is the lowest grade that qualifies as a Pass. A grade of F means that the student's performance is assessed as Fail. Fx is not a grade and is only used when a student is permitted to supplement his/her examination.

Examination takes place by means of two seminars and one written assignment. In order to receive a grade of E in the course, all the objectives must be fulfilled. To be awarded a final grade of D-A in the course, it is required that the grading criteria are fulfilled based on a weighted assessment of the grades for all the examination assignments.

A retake of the examination is provided in accordance with the Local Regulations for First-Cycle and Second-Cycle Courses and Examination at Linnaeus University.

Should the university determine that a student is entitled to special educational support due to impairment, the examiner may provide the student with an adapted test or the student may carry out the examination in an alternative way.

Course Evaluation

A course evaluation is carried out either during or at the end of the course. Results and analysis of the evaluation are presented to the students who have completed the course as well as to new students at the following course date. The course evaluation is conducted anonymously.

Overlap

The course cannot be included in a degree along with the following course/courses of which the content fully, or partly, corresponds to the content of this course:
1SK111 7.5 credits, 1SK141 7.5 hp and 1SK196 7.5 credits.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Cini, Michelle and Nieves Perez Solorzano Borraran (Latest edition). *European Union Politics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Parts I, II and V (185 pages)

Wiener, Antje, Tanja A. Börzel and Thomas Risse (Latest edition). *European Integration Theory*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, (336 pages).

Scientific publications also included, approximately 300 pages.