

COURSE DETAIL

THE EUROPEAN UNION IN THE 21ST CENTURY: INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CHALLENGES

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Free University of Berlin

Program(s)

Berlin Summer

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science European Studies

UCEAP Course Number

101

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

THE EUROPEAN UNION IN THE 21ST CENTURY: INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CHALLENGES

UCEAP Transcript Title

THE EU IN THE 21C

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

The course introduces the basics of the European Union and describes and explains the processes of widening and deepening of this unique political entity. An overview of European Union history, its evolution in economic and political terms, as well as of its institutional structure up to today is provided. Internal politics and policies, for example the decision-making process, the balance of power, identity and democratic questions in this new system of governance, are discussed. Likewise in the realm of external affairs, the Common Foreign and Security Policy, relations with neighbors and with developing countries is a main focus of the course. Particularly important aspects include the discussion on future expansion as well as the consequences of the financial crisis and the Lisbon Treaty. The morning sessions consist of lectures, literature-based discussions, and oral presentations from working groups. Students visit various institutions in Germany's political center as a component of this course. Students have the chance to discuss the topics from the morning sessions with international experts from political institutions, embassies, and think tanks.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

3.23

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Host Institution Campus

FUBiS- Track B

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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