

COURSE DETAIL

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF EUROPEAN UNION

Country

Japan

Host Institution

Waseda University

Program(s)

Waseda University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

137

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF EUROPEAN UNION

UCEAP Transcript Title

EUROPEAN UNION

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course offers an advanced introduction to the European Union (EU), including its history, institutions, decision-making processes and policies. An honest appraisal of the strengths and weaknesses of the EU is offered. The EU has been referred to as the most successful peace experiment in history, and the most successful international organization in history. The bases for both of these claims are examined. However the EU is also experiencing several interlocking and enduring crises, which some claim are a threat to the very future of the organization. These crisis include; the migration crisis, the Ukraine crisis, a democratic deficit, and Brexit. Each of these crises is considered in some detail. We also consider some of the key aspects of the EU's international relations, with a focus on the role of the EU in the Asia-Pacific. The course examines the EU's relations with key state actors such as Japan, China, Russia, South Korea and Thailand, and also analyzes how the EU has tried to promote several human rights norms in the region, using a variety of norm diffusion methods. The course takes a look at the EU's attempts to engage with other governance projects in Asia, including ASEAN, the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative, and the Free and Open Indo-Pacific promoted by the US, India and Australia, as well as Japan.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

INTB21ZL

Host Institution Course Title

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF EUROPEAN UNION

Host Institution Campus

SILS

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

SILS - International Relations

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