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 exmines 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

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