COURSE DETAIL

LAW AND POLITICS: CURRENT TOPICS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Maastricht University - Center for European Studies

Program(s)

Maastricht Summer

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science Legal Studies

UCEAP Course Number

104

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

LAW AND POLITICS: CURRENT TOPICS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

UCEAP Transcript Title

LAW & POLITICS EU

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course is targeted at students particularly interested in exploring the history and development of European integration. The European Union provides an interesting topic of study for anyone interested in gaining more understanding of the ways in which European states interact politically, economically, and culturally. Within that context, this course introduces students to the history and politics of the integration process, the main EU institutions and institutional processes, the nature and effect of the law of the European Union, and some of the most prominent policies of the European Union today. More specifically, the course addresses a number of different topics starting with the history of European integration, followed by an examination of the composition, role, and powers of the institutions in the European Union. Secondly, the course takes a closer look at the law of the European Union, addressing issues such as the main areas of competence of the European Union, the decision-making process, and the unique status of EU law within the legal systems of the Member States. In addition, some of the main policy areas of the European Union are also examined. Finally, the course addresses the attitudes of the different Member States to the European integration process, the enlargement process, and the possible future of the EU integration process. The course includes a field trip.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

POL3004

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Host Institution Campus

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