

## COURSE DETAIL

### ECONOMICS AND POLITICS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

**Country**

Italy

**Host Institution**

University of Commerce Luigi Bocconi

**Program(s)**

Bocconi University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science Economics

**UCEAP Course Number**

119

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

ECONOMICS AND POLITICS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

ECON&POLITICS OF EU

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

The course aims at analyzing the process of economic and political integration of European countries, through a theoretical, policy, and political perspective. European politics occurs in national capitals and in Brussels. Traditionally much of the disciplinary focus has either been on the European Union and integration or the national politics in the Member States. Increasingly, this failure to adequately explore how both levels of government interact reflects neither the state of European politics nor the cutting edge of research. The politics part of this course introduces students to a basic toolkit used by researchers of advanced democracies and international interdependence (including spatial models, veto players, two-level games etc.) to understand both domestic and EU-level politics in Europe in conjunction. The economics part of the course starts with a general overview of EU integration from the 1950s until today. It then moves to discussing the EU budget, with its sources of revenues and areas of expenditure. The main features of the Next Generation EU strategy are also extensively covered. This lays the foundations for studying the main policies currently undertaken by the European Union: competition, agriculture, cohesion, and international trade. The connection between economic and political dynamics is addressed, with specific attention to the link between globalization, Brexit, and the success of nationalist forces in Europe. A substantial part of the course is devoted to the Economic and Monetary Union: origins, architecture, and evolution over the Great Financial Crisis and the Covid-19 pandemic.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

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30564

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## Host Institution Campus

Bocconi University

**Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

Social and Political Sciences

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