

Politics of the European Union

Modular value: 20 credits

Duration: Term 1

Teaching: Two contact hours per week involving some lectures, seminars and student led sessions.

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The module discusses the evolution and current problems of the EU institutions, EU policy-making and politics within the EU in general. Then it will provide a policy oriented study of the EU by analysing and evaluating selected internal and external EU policies.

By the end of this course, students should be able

- To understand and summarise the history of European integration and the current features of European governance;
- To discuss and analyze current problems of European governance;
- To evaluate various aspects of selected internal and external EU policies

This module can also be taken, together with [European Integration Theory \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/european-integration-theory.aspx\)](http://postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/european-integration-theory.aspx), as [Advanced Topics In European Integration \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/advanced-topics-european-integration.aspx\)](http://postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/advanced-topics-european-integration.aspx).

Assessment

- Term one 1 x 3000 word essay 60%
- Term three two hour examination 40%

You may also be interested in:

- [European Integration Theory \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/european-integration-theory.aspx\)](http://postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/european-integration-theory.aspx)
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