Course Specifications
Valid as from the academic year 2017-2018

European Common Foreign and Security Policy (K000990)

Course size (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)

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<td>5.0</td>
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Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2017-2018

A (semester 1)
- Lecture: 30.0 h
- Self-reliant study activities: 15.0 h

Lecturers in academic year 2017-2018

Biscop, Sven
PS03 lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2017-2018

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Teaching languages

English

Keywords

The European Union, diplomacy, defence, international peace and security

Position of the course

The subject covers the EU’s development into a global strategic player. The EU has long been a world player in trade and development cooperation and is increasingly emerging as one in diplomacy and defence. Hence the subject’s focus on European Common Foreign and Security Policy (ECFSP).

The course module is an option under the Master’s in Political Science and builds on the modules of international public law and international relations.

This course module links in with the following competencies, which are acquired under the Master’s course in Political Science: M.1.1, M.1.3, M.1.4, M.1.5, M.1.7, M.2.1, M.3.2, M.3.3, and M.5.1.

Contents

The subject has a holistic approach to security as its conceptual framework, as expressed in the European Security Strategy (2003), which can be seen as the EU’s mission statement.

The subject places the EU’s strategic vision in its political and conceptual context and analyses its main tenets. It then takes a critical look at the EU’s implementation of the ambitious goals it has set itself.

The topics covered in this course, focusing on the area of ECFSP and the security dimension, are:
- The institutions and mechanisms of European Common Foreign and Security Policy, including the impact of any reviews of the convention,
- European Neighbourliness Policy,
- “Effective multilateralism” and relations with the UN,
- The military and civil capabilities and operations of European Security and Defence
Policy (ESDP),
- Relations with NATO and the US,
- Strategic partnerships, with the emphasis on China.

Finally, the course will look at in how far Europe is developing a strategic culture through implementation of a European Security Strategy.

Initial competences
Successful completion of the course modules of International Public Law and European Politics or mastery of the skills in question by another means.

Final competences
Ability to explain the history of European common foreign policy.
Ability to use the framework of political concepts to analyse and assess new ideas.
Ability to explain the European decision-making process with regard to EU common foreign and security policy.
Ability to make a critical analysis of International and European Policy.
Ability to explain and use the legal instruments of EU common foreign and security policy.
Knowledge of and ability to use the sources of common foreign and security policy.
Ability to form and express an educated opinion on current developments in European foreign policy.
Ability to follow, critically and independently, international current affairs relating to EU common foreign and security policy.

Conditions for credit contract
Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract
This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods
Excursion, lecture, self-reliant study activities

Learning materials and price

To this end, select articles and official documents are available, for the most part, electronically.

References

Course content-related study coaching
Support from Minerva
By arrangement with the lecturer

Evaluation methods
end-of-term evaluation and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period
Oral examination

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period
Oral examination

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation
Participation, assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation
examination during the second examination period is possible

Extra information on the examination methods
Students cannot elude continuous assessment.
Calculation of the examination mark