Course Specifications
Valid as from the academic year 2020-2021

EU-East Asia Relations (K001077)

Due to Covid 19, the education and evaluation methods may vary from the information displayed in the schedules and course details. Any changes will be communicated on Ufora.

Course size

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Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2020-2021

A (semester 1)  
English lecture 15.0 h  
integration seminar 10.0 h  
guided self-study 5.0 h

Lecturers in academic year 2020-2021

Dessein, Bart  
LW21 lecturer-in-charge  
Yeh, Kuo-Chun co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2020-2021

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Teaching languages

English

Keywords

European Union, Northeast Asia, Japan, China, Korea, regionalism, trade, security, democracy, human rights, development, perception

Position of the course

This specialised course is an optional component of two master programmes: the Master in EU studies (main subject Specific EU issues) and the Master in Oriental Languages and Cultures.

The course aims at providing the students a broad and in-depth understanding of the relations between the EU and Northeast Asia. It benefits from the extensive expertise at the Centre for EU Studies and the Department of Languages and Cultures at Ghent University. It will also be linked to regular academic events organized by both research groups. In addition, the course will involve experts including international researchers as well as practitioners. Through interaction with the lecturers, students learn to participate in a debate on an academically high level in English.

Note: in academic year 2020-21 the ‘Taiwan Chair’ at UGent will be actively involved in this course.

Relation to educational competences of the Master in EU studies: M.1.1, M.1.2., M.1.4., M.2.1., M.3.1., M.3.2., M.5.1. Relation to educational competences of the Master in Oriental Languages and Cultures: 5.1, 5.2, 5.3

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This specialized course gives an overview and analysis of 1. East and Northeast Asia (historical, political and economic context of China, Japan, North Korea and South Korea), 2. The EU's external policy (historical evolution and institutional context), and 3. Regionalism in Europe and East and Northeast Asia. This framework serves as a basis for the elaboration on the relations between the EU and the rapidly changing East and Northeast Asian region. Courses on the current EU-Asia relations will address topics such as trade, human rights and democracy, security, and development cooperation. Closer attention will be paid at a number of specific issues in the EU’s bilateral relations with Asian countries. For example, this could be the KOREU Free Trade Agreement, EU-Japan cooperation in human security, the EU's policy towards the conflict in the Senkaku islands, the ASEAN+3 arrangement, the EU’s tools for democracy promotion in China and mutual perception in both regions. Modifications are possible depending on current events, the input from the 'Taiwan Chair', and the preferences of the students.

Initial competences
- All students of the Master in EU studies (Main Subject Specific EU Studies) and of the Master in Oriental Languages and Cultures are allowed to take this specialist course.
- No specific prior knowledge is required. The course builds further on a general level of academic thinking and working; generally acquired knowledge on the EU’s external policy and a background knowledge on Northeast Asia is recommended.

Final competences
1. To gain insight into the complexity of political, economical and security dynamics in the Northeast Asian region.
2. To gain insight into the complexity of the EU's foreign policy towards this region.
3. To have the knowledge to critically interpret the current role of the EU in East and Northeast Asia, namely China, Japan, ROK and DPRK, against the background of a changing global order.
4. To be able to elaborate a well-argued opinion with respect to the area and contextualize specific bilateral issues within these relations.
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6. To gain a profound knowledge of the various areas of EU’s external actions in Northeast Asia.
7. To be able to independently and critically follow up current political events in the area.
8. To be able to present a critical analysis of recent developments to fellow students and to be able to enter into a discussion on these issues in English.
9. To be able to work together in a team on a group assignment related to recent developments in EU-Asia relations.

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Course content-related study coaching
Interactive support through Ufora
By personal appointment (through e-mail)
During office hours

Evaluation methods
end-of-term evaluation and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period
Written examination, assignment, peer assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period
Written examination, assignment

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 in modified form

Extra information on the examination methods
Periodic assessment
- Paper (5000 words, deadline is communicated through Ufora)

Handing in and presenting the paper during the second examination period is possible

Calculation of the examination mark
attendance 10 %; class participation and discussion 20 %; group presentation 30 %;
final essay 40 %