

Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: IREL-570 European Integration

Department: International Relations

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
IREL-570	European Integration	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	Graduate Standing
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
International Relations	Upper Division	English

Course Description

The European Union has become a critical actor on the world stage. This course examines the inner mechanisms of the European Union, and their relationship(s) with the International System. This includes an assessment of the process of development of the European Union. The progress and problems of regional integration in Europe will provide a central focus. Finally, the role of its European Union on the world stage will be assessed as well as the future prospects. With the evolving world system the European Union will have to redefine its relations between the member states as well as the rest of the World. Therefore, this course will also examine the relationship between member states – the “East-West” and “North-South” relations in Europe – the relationship between the European Union and the rest of the world.

Prerequisites

Graduate Standing

Topic Areas

1. Development of EU/Trends towards integration, post WWII/trade, tariffs & barriers/ The social context/ Multiparty Systems
2. Political and Economic developments/The Benelux group, 1944
3. Organisation of European Economic Co-operation and Marshall Aid
4. The Council of Europe
5. European Coal and Steel Community
6. Formation of EEC, 1957/The Treaty of Rome/EFTA
7. EU Architecture
8. Regional Integration
9. Association Agreements
10. Institutional Relationships
11. Bilateral Arrangements
12. Inner EU relationships
13. The Cold War and Europe
14. New Applicants

Readings and Resources

Recommended Reading

- C Archer: Organizing Europe
- J Lodge: The European Community and the Challenge of the Future
- Norgard: The European Community in World Politics
- P.Taylor : The Limits of European Integration