



PRESENTACIÓN

Breve descripción: This subject is devoted to the study of the European Union (EU) and its politics. Although the EU can be studied from purely theoretical or practical debates, this course intends to show the importance of ideas in real world examples. The subject has three main aims. First, it aims to review the historical process of EU construction and the main theories explaining it. Second, it aims to present the political dynamics and decision-making processes of the EU by examining the most relevant recent political events. Finally, it aims to explore the main policy areas in the EU.

- **Titulación:** Economics + Leadership and Governance
- **Módulo/Materia:** Módulo 7. Optativas / Materia 7.2. Optativas específicas
- **ECTS:** 3 (75 hours)
- **Curso, semestre:** 1st year, 2nd semester
- **Carácter:** Compulsory
- **Profesorado:** Guillem Ripoll
- **Idioma:** English
- **Aula, Horario:** To be defined

RESULTADOS DE APRENDIZAJE (Competencias)

- Students will become familiar with the EU integration process
- Students will be able to understand the EU institutional architecture
- Students will be able to know the EU decision-making process
- Students will be able to know the EU legislative process
- Students will be able to develop awareness of the challenges ahead for the EU
- Students will be able to know the main theories explaining the formation and functioning of the EU
- Students will be able to comprehend the functioning of political systems in the internal and European arena
- Students will be able to identify data and bibliographical sources connected to the EU
- Students will be encouraged to apply statistical resources (e.g. assess causality, construct indicators...)
- Students will be encouraged to learn how to apply theoretical and methodological models in order to carry out research in this field
- Students will be encouraged to acquire (or further develop) the knowledge and the necessary skills to work within organizational environments in the field of International Relations
- CEOP14. Conocer principios básicos de política y entender su relación con la economía en un entorno globalizado
- CEOP15. Conocer principios básicos de relaciones internacionales y entender su relación con la economía en un entorno globalizado

PROGRAMA

- 13/01 – Unit 1: Introduction
- 15/01 – Unit 2: Theories of European integration
- 20/01 – Unit 3: History, 1940-1957



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- 22/01 – Case study 1
- 27/01 – Review 1
- 29/01 – Case study 2
- 03/02 – Unit 4: Institutions, European Commission
- 05/02 – Unit 4: Institutions, European Parliament
- 10/02 – Unit 4: Brussels Bubble (Ignacio Baleztena)
- 12/02 – Unit 4: Institutions, Council of the European Union
- 17/02 – Unit 4: Institutions, European Council
- 19/02 – Exam
- 24/02 – Unit 5: Policy-making and Key policies (Ignacio Baleztena)
- 26/02 – Talk with an Eurodeputy (Ignacio Baleztena)

ACTIVIDADES FORMATIVAS

- Participation in class (attend, active comments, not disturb...)
- Study each unit
- Read bibliography associated to each unit
- Do the required exercises
- Do an exam

EVALUACIÓN

CONVOCATORIA ORDINARIA

- Exercises (2) 40%
 - 1 - 20%
 - 2 - 20%
- Exam 45% 03/05
- MEP 15% - 20/03/2025 & 21/03/2025
- Other conditions: minimum note in the exam is a 3.5, and class attendance may subtract up to 1 point

CONVOCATORIA EXTRAORDINARIA

- Exercises (2) 40% (same)
- Exam 60% (new)
- Other conditions: minimum note in the exam is a 3.5, and class attendance may subtract up to 1 point

HORARIOS DE ATENCIÓN

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- Edificio Amigas. Planta 4
- Horario de tutoría:

BIBLIOGRAFÍA

Basic references:



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- Bache, I., Bulmer, S., George, S., Parker, O., & Burns, C. (2020). Politics in the European union. Oxford University Press [Localízalo en la Biblioteca](#)
- Cini, M. and Pérez-Solórzano, N. (2019). European Union Politics, 6th Edition. Oxford University Press. [Localízalo en la Biblioteca](#)

Recommended references

- Kenealy, D., Peterson, J., & Corbett, R. (Eds.). (2020). The European Union: how does it work?. Oxford University Press [Localízalo en la Biblioteca](#)
- McCormick, J. (2020). Understanding the European Union: a concise introduction. Palgrave [Localízalo en la Biblioteca](#)
- Additional readings will be provided as handouts.
- It is suggested that students should also keep abreast of current events in the European Union, by reading newspapers and consult the official EU and other websites:

- www.europa.eu

- www.consilium.europa.eu

- www.europarl.europa.eu

- www.ec.europa.eu

- www.euractiv.com

- www.euobserver.com

- www.politico.eu

- www.euronews.com