



College of Europe
Collège d'Europe



Natolin

ECTS CARD*

STUDY PROGRAMME

European Interdisciplinary Studies, Natolin campus (Advanced Academic Master)

YEAR

2023-2024

COURSE TITLE

EU Structural and Investment Policies

SEMESTER

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COURSE PROFESSOR(S)

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COURSE TYPE

Specialist Course

MAJOR(S)

EPAP

ECTS CREDITS

4

TEACHING HOURS

20

INDIVIDUAL & GROUP STUDY TIME

80

TUTORIAL(S)

NO

COEFFICIENT

1

LANGUAGE(S)

EN

COURSE OBJECTIVE

This course aims to familiarize students with the history, objectives, principles, methods of operation, instruments and effectiveness, evaluation of the main European Union policies: Cohesion Policy and Common Agricultural Policy, presented against a broader background of all Community policies, in the context of the European integration processes. The course will also relate to the socio-economic structure of Europe considered in a broader historic perspective.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

After this course, students should understand the evolution of the policies of the European Union, with special attention paid to the to the European Cohesion policy. He/she should be able to discuss the dilemmas of these policy in the context of domestic and global problems, including recent reforms of the EU policies and their impacts on different EU Member States. The theoretical background of development policies will allow for a critical assessment of policy achievements.

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION

No specific preparation required

TEACHING METHOD(S)

Lectures, discussions, presentations

* The content of this ECTS card is based on the information from the 2022-23 academic year and may be subject to change.

ASSESSMENT METHOD AND CRITERIA

TBC

COURSE CONTENTS

The Course covers the following aspects:

- examples of international economic and political integrations in several historic and geographic contexts;
- territorial structures of the Europe in a concise historical perspective;
- process of European integration in its historic perspective: evolutions and enlargements;
- theoretical foundations of EU policies: exogenous and endogenous factors of development; structural adaptation and "longue durée".
- developments of regional/structural/Cohesion - policy since the Treaty of Rome till the present in the framework of theoretical foundations of regional development;
- economic and political origins and evolutions of Common Agricultural Policy since the Treaty of Rome till the present;
- other important EU policies (innovation, research, the concept of smart specialisation, territorial cooperation, programming and strategy building);
- practical implementation of CP and CAP in Member States – operational programmes;
- international (external) dimensions of EU policies, with special stress on Neighbourhood policy and cross-border cooperation);
- the effects of EU policies in selected Member States;
- evaluations of EU policies and their reforms – new instruments, ecological and migration challenges and policy responses;
- prospected developments of EU policies in complex and unstable global setting (challenges for the EU, declining role of Europe in the global economy, migrations etc.).

COURSE MATERIALS (readings and other learning resources/tools)

1. Cohesion in Europe towards 2050- 8th report on economic, social and territorial cohesion https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/qanda_22_763
2. Materials available at the ESPON website <https://www.espon.eu>
3. White paper on the future of Europe: Five scenarios, https://ec.europa.eu/commission/sites/beta-political/files/white_paper_on_the_future_of_europe_en.pdf
4. EU Cohesion Policy. Reassessing performance and direction. Edited by John Bachtler, Peter Berkowitz, Sally Hardy, Tatjana Muravska, <http://www.tandfebooks.com/doi/view/10.4324/9781315401867>
5. G.Gorzalak, The Eastern Horizon. A Regional Perspective, "Big Ideas", EIB, Luxemburg, 2020 <https://www.eib.org/en/publications/eib-big-ideas-the-eastern-horizon>