



Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Spring Semester 2021

4,302: European Governance

ECTS credits: 4

Overview examination/s

(binding regulations see below)

Decentral - Written examination (60%, 60 mins.)

Examination time: term time

Decentral - Written examination (40%, 60 mins.)

Examination time: term time

Attached courses

Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer

[4.302.1.00 European Governance](#) -- English -- [Lehmkuhl Dirk](#)

[4.302.2.01 European Governance: Exercises, Group 1](#) -- English -- [Monte Abrahao Fernando](#)

[4.302.2.02 European Governance: Exercises, Group 2](#) -- English -- [Monte Abrahao Fernando](#)

Course information

Course prerequisites

none

Learning objectives

- You develop an understanding of the institutional structure of the European Union, forms of political discourse, contents of political decision making in central fields, dynamics of transformation and their limits
- You understand analytical concepts of the transformation of states and integration in Europe
- You are able to analyse decision-making processes of the European multilevel system by applying theoretical approaches

Course content

The Sars-Covid-19 crisis has once again failed to fulfil the hopes for a substantially improved cooperation between the states in the European Union, which is perceived positively by the citizens. Instead, the health policy disputes are adding to the already existing mountain of crisis perceptions caused by the euro crisis, the refugee crisis, Euro-critical populism, Brexit and conflicts over the rule of law. At the same time, political promises are being made by the new leadership of the European institutions, for example in the field of environmental policy. In the area of the common security and defence policy, too, there are repeated calls for closer cooperation between the states in Europe in the face of upheavals in the transatlantic alliance on the one hand and a more potential appearance of Russia and China on the other. From the Swiss perspective, the question of the form of cooperation with the EU remains an ongoing issue.

Both the socio-political, economic and geopolitical challenges in Europe and the comprehensive embedding of national decision-making processes in European policy-making mean that basic knowledge of the way Europe is governed is very important. A robust knowledge of the political structure and dynamics of European governance is a central prerequisite both for a critical examination of current developments and for the formation of one's own ideas about the development of a common future in Europe.

Course structure

weekly lecture , bi-weekly learning groups



Course literature

There will be a skript with mandatory readings available on StudyNet.

Additional course information

In the case of the President's Board having to implement new directives due to the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic in SpS2021, the course information listed above will be changed as follows:

- The course is conducted online via the platform Canvas/ StudyNet.
- The recordings of the course will be saved for 2 days.
- The lecturer informs via Canvas/ StudyNet on the changed implementation modalities of the course.
- There are no changes necessary to the course information.

The examination information listed below would be changed as follows:

- There are no changes necessary to the examination information. The exam will be online and administered via canvas.

Examination information

Examination sub part/s

1. Examination sub part (1/2)

Examination time and form

Decentral - Written examination (60%, 60 mins.)

Examination time: term time

Remark

endterm exam

Examination-aid rule

Open Book

Students are free to choose aids but will have to comply with the following restrictions:

- All the pocket calculators that are not of the Texas Instruments TI-30 series are explicitly inadmissible.
- In addition, any type of communication, as well as any electronic devices that can be programmed and are capable of communication such as electronic dictionaries, notebooks, tablets, mobile telephones and others, are inadmissible.
- Students are themselves responsible for the procurement of examination aids.

Supplementary aids

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Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

2. Examination sub part (2/2)

Examination time and form

Decentral - Written examination (40%, 60 mins.)

Examination time: term time

Remark

mitterm exam

Examination-aid rule



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Supplementary aids

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Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

Examination content

There are two parts: a midterm exam (40%) and an endterm exam (60%)

The Midterm Examination focuses on knowledge-based elements relating to the structure and functioning of institutions and key elements of the internal market, economic and monetary union and cooperation between the EU and non-EU countries.

In addition to the knowledge-based component on other policy areas (e.g. area of freedom, security and justice, common foreign and security policy; democratic deficit), the Endterm Examination places particular emphasis on analytical skills. To this end, the second part of the course will present and apply important theoretical concepts.

Both the midterm exam and the endterm exam build on the mandatory readings and the learning groups.

Examination relevant literature

You will find the mandatory literature in the skript.

Please note

Please note that only this fact sheet and the examination schedule published at the time of bidding are binding and takes precedence over other information, such as information on StudyNet (Canvas), on lecturers' websites and information in lectures etc.

Any references and links to third-party content within the fact sheet are only of a supplementary, informative nature and lie outside the area of responsibility of the University of St.Gallen.

Documents and materials are only relevant for central examinations if they are available by the end of the lecture period (CW21) at the latest. In the case of centrally organised mid-term examinations, the documents and materials up to CW 12 are relevant for testing.

Binding nature of the fact sheets:

- Course information as well as examination date (organised centrally/decentrally) and form of examination: from bidding start in CW 04 (Thursday, 28 January 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for decentralised examinations: in CW 12 (Monday, 22 March 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised mid-term examinations: in CW 12 (Monday, 22 March 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised examinations: two weeks before the end of the registration period in CW 14 (Thursday, 8 April 2021).