Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Autumn Semester 2022

3,319: The War in Ukraine

ECTS credits: 4

Overview examination/s
(binding regulations see below)
Decentral - Presentation (in groups - all given the same grades) (50%)
Examination time: term time
Decentral - examination paper written at home (individual) (50%)
Examination time: term time

Attached courses
Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer
3,319,1.00 The War in Ukraine -- Englisch -- Davis James Warren

Course information

Course prerequisites
There are no formal pre-requisites for this course, but students should have a good command of the English language and contemporary international affairs.

Learning objectives
Students will gain a solid understanding of contemporary debates surrounding the war between Russia and Ukraine. Students will learn to analyze the conflict from the standpoint of different actors in contemporary global affairs and develop policy recommendations for the respective decision-makers.

Course content

In this course we will critically engage with debates surrounding the Russian invasion of Ukraine. What are the origins of the crisis? What are the appropriate policy responses? How is the conflict likely to end?

Course structure and indications of the learning and teaching design

The course is divided into two sections. Prior to the break, students will read contemporary analyses and commentary on the Ukraine War (and where appropriate, relevant political science research) and engage with these in critical class discussion. Students will be divided into groups and tasked with providing a recommended policy response to the war a particular international actor. The group proposals will be presented in the second half of the semester and debated in class.

Course literature
Required literature for the first half of the semester will be made available on Canvas. Groups will be expected to identify and master relevant literature for their individual presentations on their own.

Additional course information

Examination information

Fact sheet version: 1.0 as of 28/07/2022, valid for Autumn Semester 2022
1. Examination sub part (1/2)

Examination time and form
Decentral - Presentation (in groups - all given the same grades) (50%)
Examination time: term time

Remark
In class presentation with short policy memo

Examination-aid rule
Presentations
In presentations, aids for visual presentation can be used. These aids can be specified or restricted by the lecturers.

Supplementary aids
Groups will identify and incorporate relevant literature into their individual presentations.

Examination languages
Question language: English
Answer language: English

2. Examination sub part (2/2)

Examination time and form
Decentral - examination paper written at home (individual) (50%)
Examination time: term time

Remark
Take home essay. Students choose one of two topics

Examination-aid rule
Term papers
Written work must be written without outside help according to the known citation standards, and a declaration of authorship must be attached, which is available as a template on the StudentWeb.

Documentation (quotations, bibliography, etc.) must be carried out universally and consistently according to the requirements of the chosen/specified citation standard such as e.g. APA or MLA.

The legal standard is recommended for legal work (cf. by way of example: FORSTMOSE, P., OGOREK R., SCHINDLER B., Juristisches Arbeiten: Eine Anleitung für Studierende (the latest edition in each case), or according to the recommendations of the Law School).

The reference sources of information (paraphrases, quotations, etc.) that has been taken over literally or in the sense of the original text must be integrated into the text in accordance with the requirements of the citation standard used. Informative and bibliographical notes must be included as footnotes (recommendations and standards e.g. in METZGER, C., Lern- und Arbeitsstrategien (latest edition)).

For all written work at the University of St.Gallen, the indication of page numbers is mandatory, regardless of the standard chosen. Where page numbers are missing in sources, the precise designation must be made differently: chapter or section title, section number, article, etc.

Supplementary aids
Students may consult any material they regard to be relevant for answering one of two essay topics. Essays shall be no longer than 2,500 words.

Examination languages
Question language: English
Answer language: English
Examination content

Groups will present a proposed policy response to the Ukraine War from the standpoint of a contemporary actor in international affairs. The presentation will take the form of a briefing to policy makers and include a short and concise (2-5 page) policy memo.

The final take-home essay will be based largely on the literature read during the first half of the semester as well as class discussions.

Examination relevant literature

Students will be expected to identify and incorporate relevant literature for their group presentations. For the take home essay students may but need not consult additional literature.

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 (CWS1) at the latest. In the case of centrally organised mid-term examinations, the documents and materials up to CW 42 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 34 (Thursday, 25 August 2022);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for decentralised examinations: in CW 42 (Monday, 17 October 2022);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised mid-term examinations: in CW 42 (Monday, 17 October 2022);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised examinations: two weeks before the end of the registration period in CW 45 (Monday, 7 November 2022).