

Academic Year 2016-2017 Syllabus EU Politics CFU 4 Prof. Barbara Curli

Course Description

The Course is intended as an Introduction to the historical evolution of European integration, from the early Communities (European Coal and Steel Community, European Economic Community, Euratom) to the European Union. Its aim is to set in a historical perspective some of the major topics of the current debate on European integration (the euro, the single market, the role of European institutions in global governance, the British question, the question of enlargement), and to familiarize students with original EU documentation and treaties.

Teaching Method

Lectures; in-class discussion of assigned readings.

Schedule of Topics

| Topic 1 | Major theories and interpretations of European integration |
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| Topic 2 | Postwar reconstruction and the origins of European integration |
| Topic 3 | From the Common Market to the Single Market |
| Topic 4 | The structure and politics of European institutions |
| Topic 4 | The British question in a historical perspective |
| Topic 5 | Monetary Europe: from the EMS to the euro |
| Topic 6 | From 6 to 28: Enlargements and Europe's changing identity |
| Topic 7 | After the Cold war. The EU and global governance |

Textbook and Materials

- Desmond Dinan, Europe Recast: A History of European Union. Palgrave Macmillan 2014
- John Peterson and Michael Shackleton (eds), *The Institutions of the European Union*, Oxford UP 2012 (excerpts)
- H.Wallace, M.Pollack, and A.Young, *Policy-Making in the European Union*, Oxford UP, 2014, (excerpts)

Readings on specific subjects and EU documentation will be made available by the professor.

Assessment

Assessment will be based on a written test consisting in a series of questions on subjects dealt with in class, and in a short comment/essay on a EU document. The written test will be discussed during a final oral exam.

Written test: 50% Final oral exam: 25%

Attendance (at least 80% of classes), active participation and fulfilment of assigned readings: 25%

Non-attending students are required to take the written test and will be assigned additional readings. They should contact the professor at the beginning of the course.

Office hours

Before and after classes, or by appointment, e-mail barbara.curli@unito.it

NOTE: Since the course is provided for a limited number of students, **Erasmus students** who would like to attend this course and take this exam need to contact the Secretariat of Global Governance by e-mail global.governance@uniroma2.it for registration.