

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF KYIV-MOHYLA ACADEMY

POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

GRADUATE PROGRAM “EUROPEAN STUDIES”

EUROPEAN UNION PUBLIC POLICIES

Course Syllabus

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I. The Course goals and tasks

The Course is designed to learn the general principles and procedures of public policies making in the European Union.

The Course Goal is to learn the general principles of public policy making in the European Union as well as specific EU public policies with a stress on the policies related to the East European Countries

The Course Tasks:

- ✓ To develop specific skills for the EU Public Policy Analysis;
- ✓ To recover the theoretical and methodological knowledge on the nature and essence of Public Policy concept;
- ✓ To learn the main principles and procedures of making public policies in the EU;
- ✓ To learn the EU institutional system dealing with public policies making as compared with the national institutional systems;
- ✓ To study the specific public policies in the EU and their meaning for the Ukraine European integration.

II. The Course Requirements

- ✓ To be enrolled to the Course a student should study and successfully pass the following courses: “Public Policy Analysis”, “Fundamentals of International Relations”, “Contemporary Research Methods in Political Science”, and “Political History of European Integration”.

III. The Course Interdisciplinarity

The Course is strictly related to the courses on EU Political Institutions, EU Laws, and EU International Relations.

IV. The Course Content

TOPIC 1. EU Political System as the Environment for Public Policies Making.

Theories of European Integration and the logic of the five policy models: A Traditional Community Method; the EU Regulatory Mode; The EU Distributional Mode; Policy Coordination; Intensive Transgovernmentalism. The separation of power in the EU in the context of policy making processes. (6 academic hours).

TOPIC 2. Public Policy Making in the EU in a Comparative Perspective.

Differences of the EU Political System from the national political systems. Horizontal and vertical separation of powers. Artificial agenda setting in the EU. Stakeholders and target groups in the EU public policies. (6 a. h.)

TOPIC 3. The Single Market policies.

Principles and values in the Single European Market Policy. Target groups in the SEM policy. Institutional structure of the SEM policy. Competition Policy and its relation to the SEM. (4 a. h.)

TOPIC 4. Monetary Union and Budgeting in the EU.

Laws and institutions of the Monetary Policy. Policy processes. Politics and policy in the EU budgeting. (4 a. h.)

TOPIC 5. Agricultural and Fishery policies.

Needs for the common EU Agricultural policy. Target groups and main institutions in the AP. Actors and target groups in the EU Fishery policy. (2 a. h.)

TOPIC 6. Specific EU policies: Employment, Environment protection, Biotechnology.

Challenges and problems which EU faces as the integral entity: human mobility, ecological changes and R&D development. (4 a. h.)

TOPIC 7. Cohesion and the Structural Funds.

Values and principles of Cohesion Policy. Structural funds policy establishment and implementation. (2 a. h.)

TOPIC 8. Eastern Partnership Policy and Enlargement Issues.

EU border countries – problems with migration, economic and social differences. Partnership programs development history and perspectives for the full EU membership. European Integration perspectives for Ukraine. Association Agreement – content and meaning for Ukraine economic and social development. (6 a. h.)

TOPIC 9. EU Foreign and Security Policy.

Problems and challenges in the EU foreign relations. Institutional structure for the CFSP. Main principles of the security measures as compared to that in the nation states. (4 a. h.)

TOPIC 10. EU Justice and Home Affairs Policy.

Needs and history of JHA Policy development. Key actors and main problems of JHA policy. (2 a. h.)

V. Literature Recommended:

1. Wallace Helen, Mark A. Pollack, and Alasdair R. Young. Policy-Making in the European Union. Sixth Edition. Oxford University Press. 2010.
2. European Union: Power and Policy Making. 3rd Edition. Ed. Jeremy Richardson. London: Routledge. 2006.
3. Gowland David, Richard Dunphy, Charlotte Lythe. The European Mosaic. / Prentice Hall. – 2006. – 594 p.
4. From Johan and Nick Sitter (eds.). Europe's Nascent State? Public Policy in the European Union. / Gyldendal. Akademisk. - 2006. – 327 p.
5. Bailer Stefanie et al. Oligarchization. Formalization, adaptation? Linking sociological theory and EU enlargement research. Journal of European Public policy. V. 16, No. 1. 162-174.
6. Beland Daniel. Ideas, institutions, and policy change. Journal of European Public policy. V. 16, No. 5. 701-718.
7. Arregui Javier, Robert Thomson. State's bargaining success in the European Union. Journal of European Public policy. V. 16, No. 5. 655-676.
8. Journal of European Public Policy (articles on specific public policies).