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Teacher(s) :	Atanassova Elena ;
Language :	Anglais
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Historical and geopolitical context of Northeast Asia; main analytical approaches to the study of the region's international politics o Foreign policy priorities and national security strategies of the main players, namely China, Japan and the US; analysis of the relations among them o Key sources of conflict and instability in Northeast Asia: unresolved historical and sovereignty issues, strategic rivalry, nuclear proliferation o Trends for regional cooperation and main regional security institutions (e.g., the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) and the Six-Party Talks) o Impact of regional geopolitical and strategic issues in Northeast Asia on global politics
Aims :	<p>This course examines major geopolitical and strategic issues of contemporary Northeast Asia by emphasising both the challenges to regional peace and stability, and opportunities for cooperation. Northeast Asia - defined for the purposes of this course as including Japan, China, Taiwan and the two Koreas, together with the US as a main external actor - is one of the most dynamic regions in the world. In the post-Cold War era, the region has been undergoing a major shift in the balance of power, while struggling with the legacies of the Cold War. With a rising China, a more assertive Japan, a potentially nuclear-armed North Korea and two divided states - Korea and China - Northeast Asia is increasingly important in global military and strategic terms, in addition to its significance in economic ones.</p> <p><i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i></p>
Content :	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to the course and review of the syllabus 2. Historical and geopolitical context of Northeast Asia; theoretical approaches 3. China's rise and US strategy in Northeast Asia 4. Japan's security transformation and the US-Japan alliance 5. Nationalism and historical legacies: Japan, China and South Korea 6. Identity, security and unification: Taiwan 7. Nuclear proliferation: North Korea 8. Institution-building and regional order <p>Teaching method: lectures involving active student participation and discussions based on assigned readings</p>
Other infos :	<p>Oral exam</p> <p>Course materials: reader, power point presentations by the professor</p> <p>A detailed syllabus will be distributed in class</p>
Cycle and year of study :	<p>> Master [60] in Political Sciences: General</p> <p>> Master [120] in Public Administration</p> <p>> Master [120] in Anthropology</p> <p>> Master [120] in Political Sciences: General</p> <p>> Master [120] in Political Sciences: International Relations</p>
Faculty or entity in charge:	PSAD