UCLouvain

leusl2107

2018

Current European topics

3 credits	15.0 h + 15.0 h	Q2

Teacher(s)	Traversa Edoardo ;			
Language :	English			
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve			
Main themes	The course is designed to address EU current issues. As it relies on EU current topics, the specific content of the class varies from week to week.			
Aims	The aims of the course are 1. to familiarise students with a broad array of EU issues, most specifically with political, institutional, economic, social, cultural and environmental issues faced by the EU; 2. to help students develop a critical understanding of EU current affairs and how to deal properly and swiftly with information sources; 3. to ensure that students are able to express a well-argued position on various issues, actively drawing upon knowledge acquired in other classes. 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".			
Evaluation methods	The assessment is fourfold: 1. A written essay handed at the end of the European Week (Q1) (25% of the final grade); 2. An oral presentation during presentation and comments sessions (25% of the final grade); 3. Weekly MCQ on current European topics (25% of the final grade). Active participation to debates in class will add points to MCQ results; 4. A written assignment handed at the end of Q2 on an EU current topic, defined by the teaching team (25% of the final grade). Classes are compulsory. Missing a class with no valid excuse will penalise students. The grade of one of the parts can be carried from one session over another as far as it is above 2,5/5. Grades can not be carried from an academic year over another academic year.			
Content	LEUSL 2107 has three components: 1. The 'European Week'(Q1); 2. Guest speaker sessions, organised by the lead professor on EU topics, and subsequent debate with students (Q2); 3. Current topics presentation and comment sessions, prepared by students and moderated by teaching assistants (Q2).			
Bibliography	Background documents will be distributed during the classes			
Faculty or entity in charge	EURO			

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)					
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims	
Master [120] in European Studies	EURO2M	3		•	