

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information below is subject to change, in particular that concerning the teaching mode (presential, distance or in a comodal or hybrid format).

4 credits	15.0 h + 15.0 h	Q2
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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	<p>The aims of the course are</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>-----</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>
Evaluation methods	<p>Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.</p> <p>The continuous assessment is fourfold:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. a written essay: 25 % of the final grade; 2. an oral presentation during monitoring and comment sessions: 25 % of the final grade; 3. active participation during the classes: 25 % of the final grade; 4. a policy brief handed at the end of Q2 on an EU current topic, defined by the teaching team: 25 % of the final grade. <p>Students whose final grade is below 10/20 will have to take an exam and/or submit a written assignment in August.</p>
Teaching methods	<p>Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.</p> <p>Interactive sessions with presentation and discussion.</p> <p>Students must actively follow EU news, in press articles and on blogs (suggested on Moodle). Academic literature can bring a great complement of information.</p>
Content	<p>Course LEUSL2107 has two components:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the debate sessions organised by the lead professor on EU topics, guests may also be present 2. the current affairs monitoring and comment sessions, moderated by teaching assistants of the School of European Studies and prepared by students.
Inline resources	Relevant materials will be made available on Moodle.
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	4		