Syllabus

Politics and Society of the European Union
PS 782

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In this interdisciplinary course students will read and discuss research on contemporary Europe. The course will begin with an overview of the history and politics of Europe since 1945. Readings throughout the course will come from history, sociology, political science, and political economy. As part of the course, students will participate in a colloquium involving visiting scholars and will have the opportunity to discuss the latest research on the European Union with these visitors.

Evaluation:
Students taking the course for credit are required to complete the readings, attend class sessions and participate actively, and write a research paper on modern Europe, on European integration, or on the European Union. The term paper is due at the end of the term. Students auditing are required to complete the readings, attend class, and participate actively.

Reading:
The following book is available at Shaman Drum bookstore. There will be additional required readings for each session.


Order of Topics
January
12 Introductions, Overview

26 Alberta Sbragia, Professor, University of Pittsburgh
Reading:
Sbragia, Alberta. 2002. “Building Markets and Comparative Regionalism: Governance Beyond the Nation-State.” In Markus Jachtenfuchs and Michele Knodt,
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February

2 Discussion of history and institutions
Reading: Dinan, *Ever Closer Union*, entire

9 Amie Kreppel, Associate Professor, University of Florida
Reading:

March

9 Topics: Theories of European Integration and Public Support for Integration
Reading:

23 Topic: Support for Integration and Enlargement
Reading:

30 Neil Fligstein, Professor, University of California, Berkeley
Reading:

April

3 Juan Diez Medrano, Professor, Barcelona University
Reading:

18 Term Papers due