

Faculty of Social Sciences

Course title: THE EUROPEAN UNION - RUSSIA RELATIONS

ECTS credit allocation (and other scores): 5

Semester: autumn and spring (2 semesters)

Level of study: ISCED-6 - first-cycle programmes (EQF-6)

Branch of science: Social sciences

Language: English

Number of hours per semester: 30

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Type of classes: lectures

Substantive content

CLASSES: not applicable

LECTURES: Main content of the lecture is legal and political background of the EU-Russia relations, fields of cooperation, signed agreements, role of Poland in process of development of the EU-Russia relations as well as future of relations (especially in the context of conflict in Ukraine). Lecturer will also focus on the issue of transitions of the European Union – Russia relations after outbreak of conflict at east of Ukraine and annexation of Crimean Peninsula.

Learning purpose: The aim of the course is to present history and contemporaneity of relations between the European Union (and EEC) and The Russian Federation since 1991.

On completion of the study programme the graduate will gain:

Knowledge: Knowledge on relations between The European Union and Russia as well as determinants of international relations and international security in Europe.

Skills: Ability to analyze and clarify international relations in Europe.

Social Competencies: Ability to interpret international relations and international security.

Basic literature:

Haukkala Hiski, The EU-Russia strategic partnership: the limits of post-sovereignty in international relations, London: Routledge, 2010.

Russia vs. the EU: the competition for influence in post-Soviet states / Jakob Tolstrup, Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 2013.

Russia and the EU in a multipolar world: discourses, identities, norms / Andrey Makarychev, Stuttgart: Ibidem-Verl., 2014.

Marsh, Steve (2008): "EU-Russia Security Relations and the Survey of Russian Federation Foreign Policy: One Year On." European Security 17 (2).

Light, Margot (2008): "Russia and the EU: Strategic Partners or Strategic Rivals?" Journal of Common Market Studies 46 (1).

Supplementary literature:



Leonard, Mark/Nicu Popescu (2007): "A Power Audit of EU-Russia Relations". London: the European Council on Foreign Relations.

Smith, Michael E. 2004. Toward a theory of EU foreign policy making: multi-level governance, domestic politics, and national adaptation to Europe's common foreign and security policy. Journal of European Public Policy 11 (4).

Kuzmicheva Larisa. Unresolved conflicts in the common neighbourhood: a comparative analysis of EU and Russian policies. SPES Policy Papers, January 2011.

Haukkala Hiski, 2000. The Making of the European Union's Common Strategy on Russia. Finnish Institute of International Affairs. Working Paper N28.

Delcour, L. (2011) Shaping the Post-Soviet Space? EU Policies and Approaches to Region-Building (Ashgate).

Korosteleva, E. (2012) The EU and its Eastern Neighbours: towards a more ambitious partnership? (Routledge).

The allocated number of ECTS points consists of:

Contact hours with an academic teacher: 30

Student's independent work: 95