



Course title: THEORY AND PRACTICE OF INTEGRATION – A CASE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AND POST-SOVIET AREA

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 theoretical and political background of regional integration in Europe and post-Soviet area as well as presentation practical approach to the issue of regional integration on the basis of two examples of this process – the European Union and reintegration of post-Soviet area since 2000.

Learning purpose: The aim of the course is to present essential theoretical basis of regional integration mechanisms in Europe.

On completion of the study programme the graduate will gain:

Knowledge: Knowledge on processes of regional integration in Europe and post-Soviet area.

Skills: Ability to analyze and clarify processes of regional integration.

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

Basic literature:

European integration theory / Antje Wiener and Thomas Diez, Oxford: Oxford Univ. Press, 2004.

To balance or not to balance: alignment theory and the Commonwealth of Independent States / Eric A. Miller, Aldershot: Ashgate, 2006.

The law of treaties in Russia and the commonwealth of independent states: text and commentary / W. E. Butler, Cambridge: Cambridge Univ. Press, 2002.

Supplementary literature:

The European Union and its order: the legal theory of European integration / [ed. by] Zenon Bańkowski and Andrew Scott, Oxford: Blackwell, 2000.

Belarus - Russia integration: analytical articles / ed. by Valer Bulhakaw, Warsaw: Minsk Analytical Group, 2003.

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).

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



The allocated number of ECTS points consists of:

Contact hours with an academic teacher: 30

Student's independent work: 95