

## **European Studies course catalogue summer semester 2012**

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*please check regularly for updates*

### **Master Forum European Studies – Prof. Dr. Hartwig Hummel, Dr. Jörg Waldmann**

Wednesday, 14:30 to 16:00, weekly, building 23.03.01.41

required, starting April 4

This weekly master forum supports students in writing their master theses. Topics include

- a) the development of research questions and designs,
- b) the presentation of papers relating to the thesis,
- c) comments on paper presentations by fellow students,
- d) group discussions on the papers and related issues.

In addition, the master forum offers a regular platform for discussing issues and problems relevant to the course of study, including students' feedback and an evaluation of the master programme.

Certificate of attendance (Beteiligungsnachweis) will be issued for regular attendance and presentation of draft MA thesis.

### **Master Course – The Europeanization of Political Parties - Dr. Jörg Waldmann**

Tuesday, 10:30-12:00, weekly, building 25.13.U1.24

elective (alt. course Public Sphere), starting April 3

Political parties are the centre-piece of democracy in Europe. In how far have they been affected by European integration? How can we understand the rise of populism in this regard? What role do parties play on the European level? The course attempts to provide an answer to these questions by, first, clarifying the role of political parties in theory and, second, moving on to specific case studies. By examining the party systems in France, Germany, Britain, Spain, Italy, Poland, Denmark and the Netherlands common features and country-specific observations will be discussed.

The course is delivered through a combination of assigned readings, group presentations and panel discussions. Students will form 'member states groups' which acquire specific knowledge on their chosen country, thus serving as "country experts" in class and representing their country in panel discussions. Certificates of attendance require participation in group presentations.

The module is assessed by oral examinations. A detailed course outline, further information and relevant literature will be provided via course website.

Literature:

Hix, S. and C. Lord (1997), Political parties in the EU, Palgrave MacMillan.

Judge, D. and D. Earnshaw (2008), The European Parliament, Palgrave MacMillan, 2nd ed.

Marks, G. and M. R. Steenbergen (2004)(eds.), European integration and political conflict in the EU, Cambridge Univ. Press.

### **Master Course - The Evolution of a European Public Sphere – Dr. Jörg Waldmann,**

Thursday, 14:30 – 16:00, weekly, building 23.02.U1.61  
elective (alt. course Political Parties), starting April 5

There are many barriers to a real European public sphere. Should they be overcome, and if yes, how? In which sectors of society we are already living in a European public sphere? The course starts with elaborating on the theoretical implications of public spheres. Yet the main part of the seminar is devoted to case studies which touch upon very different aspects of society (culture, economy, sports, media, habits etc.).

The course is delivered through a combination of assigned readings, group research and presentations. With the help of groups, students will explore the Europeanization of the public sphere in a variety of fields.

Certificates of attendance require participation in group presentations or minor research projects. The module is assessed by oral examinations. A detailed course outline, further information and relevant literature will be provided via course website.

Literature:

Eriksen, E.O. and John Erik Fossum (2000)(eds), Democracy in the European Union: Integration through deliberation? London: Routledge.

Shore, C. (2000), Building Europe. The cultural politics of European integration, Taylor Francis Publ.

### **Master Course - Idea(I)s of Europe: The Historical Perspective – Oliver Kiechle M.A.**

Wednesday, 08:30 – 10:00, introduction: 04.04., 11.04.; blockseminar: 29.06., 06.07.  
the location can be found in the pdf-file  
elective (alt. Law)

From Antiquity until the European Union of nowadays, Europe has always been an object of ideas and projections, even fantasies. In the first part of the seminar we will discuss this different concepts of Europe in history with their respective ideas of the characteristics and borders of Europe.

In a second part we will take a closer look on structural evolutions in European history. This will cover for example economical and cultural developments, but also changes of society with their associated ideologies.

The seminar is based on the discussion about assigned readings from the relevant academic literature, students are therefore expected to prepare a reading diary for each lesson to have a basis for the discussions.

Literature:

Guerrina, Roberta : Europe: history, ideas and ideologies, London 2002.

Pagden, Anthony (ed.): The Idea of Europe: from Antiquity to the European Union, Washington 2002.

**Master Course - European Corporate and Competition Law - Ingrid C. Schneck, Prof. Dr. Christian Kersting**

Monday, 16.30 - 18.00: 23.04., Monday 16.30 - 20.00: 07.05., 21.05., 04.06, 25.06.

Thursday + Friday, 24. + 25.05.

the location can be found in the pdf-file

elective (alt. course History)

The course provides a basic overview concerning the core areas of the Common Market and its legal framework beyond the fundamental freedoms. These core areas are

1. European Corporate Law
2. Antitrust Law
3. Merger Control Law
4. State Aid Law
5. Public Procurement Law

Each area will be briefly presented with its legal cornerstones. The course is taught by two different lecturers specialized in the respective areas.

Students do not need legal experience for this course.

**Master Course - Business and European Integration - Prof. Dr. Hartwig Hummel**

Monday, 14:30 – 16:00, weekly, building 25.22.U1.34

required, starting April 2

The course addresses the specific role of business benefiting from, and thus advancing, European integration. Topics include issues and actors relating to agricultural, manufacturing, and services industries and financial markets. We will discuss, among others, about the free movement of goods, capital, services, and people; industrial policy and state subsidies; competition policy; supervision of financial markets; and corporate social responsibility. Classes will be based on assigned readings and presentations. Students are expected to already have a basic knowledge of political and economic institutions and decision-making processes in the European Union and of integration theories

**Excursion Programme – Dr. Jörg Waldmann**

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## **Language Courses**

optional, starting April 2

1. Basic German, Monday, 8:30 - 12:00, - Dietmar Togrund - building 23.21.U1.64

additional: Tuesday, 8.30 - 10.00, building 23.21.U1.64

2. Intermediate German, Monday, 8:30 - 12:00, - Eva Winde - building 23.21.U1.85

additional: Tuesday, 8.30 - 10.00, building 23.21.U1.85