

Politics and Foreign Policy of the European Union

Political Science 444

Section: D100

Term: 2004 Fall

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Discussion Topics: This course covers the history and political dynamics of European Integration. It examines old and new institutions of the European Union such as the Commission, the Council of Minister, the European Council, and the European Parliament. It also explores various policies in their historical and political context. The course concentrates on developments since the Single European Act of 1986, including the Maastricht and Amsterdam Treaties, the Euro, the European Security and Defence Policy, Enlargement and institutional reform. A strong theme throughout the course deals with the increasingly complex relationship between NATO and the European Security and Defence Policy.

A mixture of lectures, research-intensive paper presentations and seminar discussion. Several guest lecturers are scheduled throughout the semester.

Grading: Presentations 30%

Seminar discussion 30%

Final Paper 40%

Required Texts: Desmond Dinan, *Ever Closer Union*, 2nd Edition (Lynne Rienner, 1999).

Youri DeVuyt, *The European Union at the Crossroads* (Peter Lang, latest edition).

Small Reserve Library selection of key books and current Journal articles

Recommended Texts: Alexander Moens et al., (eds.) *NATO and European Security* (Praeger, 2003).

Materials/Supplies: None

Prerequisite/Corequisite: eight upper division credits in political science or permission of the dept.

Notes: None

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