



Course Code IREL-698	Course Title Contemporary Issues in Cyprus	ECTS Credits 7.5
Department European Studies and International Relations	Semester Fall, Spring	Prerequisites None
Type of Course Elective	Field International Relations	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 2 nd Cycle	Year of Study 2 nd	Lecturer(s) Professor Andreas Theophanous/Professor Costas Constantinou
Mode of Delivery face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

1. Examine contemporary issues in Cyprus; these will include the relations between the two major communities, the status of Cypriot minorities and hybridities, the changing demographic composition of the island, the political and ideological landscape in the island as well as broader economic, social and political developments.
2. Examine the position of Cyprus in the postcolonial, regional and broader geopolitical context and also assess this country's foreign policy and foreign relations in general.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Illustrate an understanding of the issues involved and assess developments over time.
2. Analyze the process of economic development in Cyprus including current economic issues and their implications.
3. Analyze and evaluate complex issues both orally and in writing as well as lead a discussion regarding issues of an international nature.
4. Independently analyze, interpret and reflect upon key trends in development within world politics.
5. Critically analyze research within the field of study.
6. Demonstrate an understanding and critically engage current social and political issues in Cyprus.
7. Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship of these issues to local, regional and global social and political developments.
8. Demonstrate an understanding and critically engage local decision-making and policy-making.
9. Communicate in English language both orally and in written form at (near) native level.
10. Use IT skills (word processing, Internet and e-mail) as study and communication tools.
11. Make efficient use of libraries, bibliographical material and academic research.

Course Contents:

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| I. | The Context/The Birth of the Republic of Cyprus |
| II. | Economic, Political and Social Developments in Cyprus: A comprehensive Approach |
| III. | The Impact of Europeanization on Social Issues |
| IV. | Diversity and Change - Relations between Greek Cypriots, Turkish Cypriots and the Role of the EU – Toward a new landscape |
| V. | Possible Scenarios for the Solution of the Cyprus Problem and Broader Implications |
| VI. | The Political Economy of a Cyprus Settlement |
| VII. | Cyprus and the World: the Stakes Involved |
| VIII. | Minority Politics |
| IX. | Cypriot States of Exception |
| X. | The UK Sovereign Bases |
| XI. | Revision – What Future for Cyprus? |

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Conferences and sessions with visiting speakers, Project work

Assessment Methods:

Final Exam, Class Participation, Essays

Required Textbooks/Reading:

Theophanous, A.,	The Political Economy of a Cyprus Settlement: The Examination of Four Scenarios	PRIO Report 1/2008, Nicosia	2008	
Peristianis, N., and Tsangaras, G., (Eds)	Anatomy of a Metamorphosis (in Greek)	Intercollege Press	1995	

Recommended Textbooks/Reading:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
I. Books and Reports				
Theophanous, A.,	The Cyprus Question and the EU: The Challenge and the Promise	Intercollege Press	2004	
Theophanous, A. and Y. Tirkides (Eds)	Reflections on the Relations Between Britain and the Republic of Cyprus and the Case of the British Sovereign Base Areas	Intercollege Press	2007	
Attalides, M., (Ed.)	Cyprus Reviewed		1977	

Ioannides, Ch. P.,	In Turkey's Image: The Transformation of Occupied Cyprus into a Turkish Province, Aristide D. Caratzas	New Rochelle NY	1991	
Palley, C.,	An International Relations Debacle: The UN Secretary-General's Mission of Good Offices in Cyprus 1999-2004	Hart Publishing, Oxford and Portland	2005	
Hatay, M.	Is the Turkish-Cypriot Population Shrinking?	PRIO Cyprus Centre	2007	
Sperling, J., Papacosma, S. V. and Theophanous, A., (Eds)	Turkey and Europe: High Stakes, Uncertain Prospects	University of Nicosia Press	2008	
II. Articles and other Sources				
Constantinou, C.M. and Richmond, O.P,	"The Long Mile of Empire: Power, Legitimation and the UK Bases in Cyprus", <i>Mediterranean Politics</i> 10:1, pp. 65-84		2005	
Constantinou, C.M.,	"Aporias of Identity: Bicomunalism, Hybridity and the 'Cyprus Problem'", <i>Cooperation and Conflict</i> 42:3, pp. 247-270		2007	
Constantinou, C.M.,	"On the Cypriot States of Exception", <i>International Political Sociology</i> , 2:2. pp. 145-164		2008	
Attalides, M. ,	"The Turkish Cypriots: Their Relations to the Greek Cypriots in Perspective", in M. Attalides (Ed.), <i>Cyprus Reviewed</i> , pp. 71-97		1977	
	Extracts from Commission Opinion on the Application of Cyprus for Membership, doc/93/5		1993	

Bahcheli, T.,	<i>Cyprus and the European Union</i> , “Turkish Cypriots, the EU Option, and Resolving Ethnic Conflict in Cyprus”, in A. Theophanous, N. Peristianis and A. Ioannou, (Eds), pp. 107-124	Intercollege Press	1999	
Bahcheli, T.,	“Searching for a Cyprus Settlement: Considering Options for Creating a Federation, Confederation, or Two Independent States”, <i>Publius: The Journal of Federalism</i> , vol. 30, no.1-2, Winter/Spring, pp. 203-216		2000	
Theophanous, A.,	“Prospects for Solving the Cyprus Problem and the Role of the European Union”, <i>Publius, The Journal of Federalism</i> , vol. 30 no.1-2, Winter/Spring, pp. 217-241		2000	
Ayres, R.,	“The Economic Costs of Separation: The North-South Development Gap in Cyprus”, <i>Ekonomia – The Journal of the Cyprus Economic Society</i> , vol. 6, no. 1, Summer, pp. 39-52		2003	
Muller, J. ,	“The Clash of Peoples – US and Them: The Enduring Power of Ethnic Nationalism”, <i>Foreign Affairs</i> , vol. 87, no. 2, (March-April,), pp. 18-35		2008	
Neisser, E.,	“A Federalism Process for Cyprus: An American Constitutional Perspective on the Cyprus Problem”, <i>The Cyprus Review</i> , vol. 8, no. 2, Fall, pp. 7-23		1996	

Neisser, E.,	“Individual and Communal Rights in the Constitutional Framework of a Federal Cyprus: Lessons from the American Experience” in A. Theophanous, N. Peristianis, A. Ioannou (Eds), <i>The Cyprus Problem: Its Solution and the Day After</i> , pp. 87-98	Intercollege Press	1998	
Theophanous, A., Tirkides, Y., and Pelagidis, Th.,	“Cyprus’ Accession to the Eurozone and the Reunification of the Island’s Economy”, <i>Südosteuropa Mitteilungen</i> , 48 Jahrgang, January, pp. 74-89		2008	
Watson, M.,	“Growing Together? – Prospects for Economic Convergence and Reunification in Cyprus”, GreeSE Paper No. 7, Hellenic Observatory Papers on Greece and Southeast Europe, The London School of Economics and Political Science, (London, October)		2007	
<p>Journal of Modern Hellenism, No 25-26, Winter 2008-2009 <i>Special Issue on Cyprus</i></p>				
Ioannides, Ch. P.	“Cyprus before the Storm: The Kennedy Years, 1961-1963”, pp. 1-56			
Theophanous, A.,	“Revisiting the Cyprus Question: The Challenge and the Promise”, pp. 57-78.			
Coufoudakis, V.,	“The Cypriot Accession to the European Union Challenges, Opportunities, Prospects”, pp.79-96.			
Ioannou, Ch.,	“The Europeanization of Cypriot Social Policy: An “Apolitical” Europeanization Process”, pp. 97-128.			

Spyridakis, V.S.,	“Loizidou vs Turkey and the Future of Property Compensation for Refugees in Cyprus and Beyond”, pp.129-156.			
Theophanous, A., Tirkides, Y., Pelagidis, Th.	“The Economy of the ‘Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus’”, pp.157-188.			