



Course Code EUS-475	Course Title European Foreign and Security Policy	ECTS Credits 6
Department European Studies and International Relations	Semester Spring	Prerequisites EUS 340
Type of Course Required	Field European Studies	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Year of Study 4 th	Lecturer(s) Dr Giorgos Kentas
Mode of Delivery face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

This course will assess issues, problems and prospects of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) of the European Union (EU). It will examine the recent developments in the field of CFSP, as well as the inauguration of the European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP) of the Union. It will also cover the challenges and the implications of the growth of both CFSP and ESDP. The course provides detailed knowledge of these two policies, as well as it explores interstate relations and state power balance within the EU. The implications of the Treaty of Lisbon for the evolution of these two policies are also examined.

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Illustrate knowledge of the historical evolution and present development of CFSP and ESDP.
2. Demonstrate full comprehension of the decision-making processes of the GAERC.
3. Assess and appraise the composition and functioning of the CFSP and ESDP.
4. Discuss the complexity of inter-state relations and state power balance within the Union in the context of the CFSP/ESDP.
5. Assess the processes and interests that shape the steps and decisions undertaken by the EU member states and the Union as a whole concerning foreign and defense policy matters.

Course Contents:

1. Historical Evolution of CFSP and ESDP
2. Concepts and Theories on the development of the CFSP
3. Treaty provisions on foreign, security and defense policies
4. Interstate relations and state power balance
5. ESDP missions
6. The growing role and impact of the EU in international relations
7. EU foreign policy and external relations
8. The impact of enlargement on foreign and security policy
9. The future of the EU as a global actor

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Discussion, Presentation and Assignments

Assessment Methods:

Participation, Review Essay, Mid-term Exam and Final Exam

Required Textbooks/Reading:

European Commission, "*The Common Foreign and Security Policy: An Introduction*," (<http://europa.eu/scadplus/leg/en/lvb/r00001.htm>).

Smith, Karen (2003) *European Union Foreign Policy in a Changing World*. Cambridge: Polity Press.

White, B. (2001) *Understanding European Foreign Policy*. New York: Palgrave.

Recommended Textbooks/Reading:

Bretherton, Charlotte and John Vogler, *The European Union as a Global Actor*, London and New York: Routledge.

Everts, Steven and Daniel Keohane, "*The European Convention and EU Foreign Policy: Learning from Failure*," *Survival* 45(3) 2003.

Patten K. (2001) "The European Union and the World," in R. Guttman (ed.), *Europe in the New Century*. London: Lynne Rienner.

Smith, Michael (2004) *Europe's Foreign and Security Policy: The Institutionalization of Cooperation*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.