

Autumn 2019
Prof. Dr. Ulrich Glassmann
Comparative Institutional Analysis

Title: Comparing European Economies and Societies
BA-Lecture European Cultures and Society
Date: weekly, Wednesdays, 10.00 – 12.00 am
Venue: HEL 063

Start: 18.09.2019

Course description:

The course introduces to the comparative analysis of European economies and societies. It does not primarily examine the social structure of these societies, but mainly deals with the institutions in which markets are socially embedded. One focus is therefore on the varieties and commonalities of capital and labour relations in European economies. Another key aspect is the analysis of diverse European social models in the era of globalization. Finally, some of the major challenges of contemporary economies and societies will be looked at: gender inequality, income inequality and migration.

Qualification objectives

Students will be made acquainted with theoretical accounts in Comparative Political Economy. They will learn how to analyse contemporary economies and societies comparatively and empirically. They will be instructed how to write a research paper applying the discussed methodology in a tutorial.

Course logistics:

Students are expected to:

- * attend the lecture from beginning to end
- * visit a tutorial which instructs on academic writing
- * actively contribute to discussions in the tutorial
- * complete assigned readings according to schedule
- * write a research paper (15 pages) in groups of three students. Each student should contribute 5 pages to the research paper.

Session 1 Introduction to class

Academic Writing

Session 2 How to do literature and data research

no literature

Session 3 How to structure an academic research paper

Synopsis of the Department

Session 4 Discussion of a "Model Journal Article" on Politics and Investment in Greece

Rodríguez-Pose, Andrés; Psycharis, Yannis and Tselios, Vassilis (2016) Politics and Investment: Examining the Territorial Allocation of Public Investment in Greece, in: *Regional Studies* 50(7): 1097-1112.

The Diversity of European Social Models in the Era of Globalization

Session 5 Types of European Welfare States and De-commodification

Esping-Andersen, Gøsta (1990): *The Three Worlds of Welfare Capitalism*. Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press: 9-54.

Session 6 Gender, the Service Economy and the Welfare Dimension

Esping-Andersen, Gøsta (1999): *Social Foundations of Post-industrial Economies*. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 32-72.

Session 7 Gender Inequality and Varieties of Capitalism

Estévez-Abe, Margarita (2006): Gendering Varieties of Capitalism: A Study of Occupational Segregation by Sex in Advanced Industrial Societies, in: *World Politics* 59: 142-175.

Session 8 Welfare Reforms in Post-Industrial Economies

Häusermann, Silja and Palier, Bruno (2008): The politics of employment- friendly welfare reforms in post-industrial economies, in *Socio- Economic Review*, 6: 559-586.

Session 9 Causes of Income Inequality

Huber, Evelyne and Stephens, John D. (2014): Income inequality and redistribution in post-industrial democracies: demographic, economic and political determinants, in: *Socio-Economic Review*, 12 (2): 245–267.

Growth Models and Capitalist Development

Session 10 The Demand Side: Growth Models and Capitalist Development

Baccaro, Lucio and Pontusson, Jonas (2016): Rethinking Comparative Political Economy. The Growth Model Perspective, in: *Politics & Society*, 44(2): 175–207.

Session 11 Changing Industrial Relations in Capitalist Economies

Baccaro, Lucio and Howell, Chris (2011): A Common Neoliberal Trajectory: The Transformation of Industrial Relations in Advanced Capitalism, in: *Politics & Society*, 39 (4): 521–563.

Case Studies on Production Models and Labour Markets in Transition

Session 12 Collective Bargaining Systems: The Case of Greece

Zambarlounkou, Stella (2006): Collective Bargaining and Social Pacts: Greece in Comparative Perspective, in: *European Journal of Industrial Relations*, 12 (2): 211–229.

Session 13 European Labour Migration

Cappelen, Cornelius and Midtbø Tor (2016): Intra-EU Labour Migration and Support for the Norwegian Welfare State, in: *European Sociological Review*, 32 (6): 691–703.