

Module 11	External Relations of the EU				
	Module type		Compulsory elective		
	Module number		952007110		
	Credit points (LP)		5 LP		
	Semester hours per week (SWS)		2 SWS		
	Semester	3rd semester	Workload (total)		150 h
	Term	Every fall semester	of which	Classroom hours	30 h
	Duration	1 semester		Self-study	120 h
Qualification objective	<p>The aim of this module is to look at the external perspectives of the European integration process and introduce the students to the main conceptual and theoretical debates on EU's external action. The module explores the relevant theoretical approaches, EU's institutional and political status, as well as foreign policy instruments on the global scale. This is achieved by considering the EU Common Foreign and Security Policy and external action in general, as well as by an in-depth analysis of the EU's diplomatic architecture. Thus, the students receive an in-depth and critical understanding of the EU's external action and are able to present this in an individual or as a group research project. Moreover, the module aims at covering the current topics of the EU's external action.</p>				
Expertise	<p>Students deepen their ability to develop a well-founded position and to defend it argumentatively in discussions on topics related to external action of the EU, historical as well as current aspects of it, and include their argumentation in research projects. They can hypothesize about different aspects of EU's external action as well as formulate critical arguments about the EU Common Foreign and Security Policy and EU's Diplomacy. Students are able to employ the introduced theories to develop and defend a research project.</p>				
Methodological competence	<p>The students obtain a critical understanding of the EU's external action and foreign policy. At the end of the module, the students are able to analyse and evaluate internal and external factors influencing external relations of the EU. They can hypothesize about different aspects of the external relation of the EU based on the theories presented to them as well as evaluate the primary sources relevant for the topic. The students can apply their knowledge and develop as well as defend empirical and theoretical questions and problem-focused interpretations (both orally and in text) about the external action of the EU.</p>				
Social and personal skills	<p>Students are able to engage in a critical discussion with each other, work independently, as well as in small and larger groups. Students can defend their argumentation and give constructive feedback during classroom discussions and presentations as well as in a written form.</p>				
Course and study format	<p>The learning formats will include classroom discussions, group works and individual research as well as problem based learning, thereby not being limited to one approach only. External experts may also be invited to classroom discussions.</p>				
Module coordinator	Programme Coordinator (Dr. Laura Asarite-Schmidt)				
Prerequisites	None				

Continuation of Module 11:

Applicable degree program	M.A. European Studies
Comments/Other	This module belongs to area 1 (Law and Political Science) of the 3rd semester compulsory electives.

M 11: Sub-module 1	External Relations of the EU				
	Sub-module ID number	952007111	Course type	Seminar	
	SWS	2 SWS	Workload (sub-module)	60 h	
	Type of sub-module	Required	of which	Classroom hours	30 h
	Planned group size	30		Self-study	30 h
M 11: Module examination	Module Examination				
	<i>Modulprüfung</i>				
	Examination number	952007115	Scope of the exam	see comments	
	Examination type	Oral examination or Paper with presentation	Exam preparation and examination time	90 h	
	Graded exam?	Yes			
	Comments on the module examination	Oral examination (30 min) or paper (10-12 p) with presentation (15 min)			
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