



TITLE OF THE COURSE:	EU POLITICS (1)
Course code:	PPE2004
Course group:	C
Faculty:	Political Science and Diplomacy
Study program:	World Politics and Economy
Level:	<i>Bachelor's</i>
Semester:	<i>Autumn</i>
ECTS credits:	5
Language of instruction	English
Course lecturer/s:	Assoc. Prof. Andžej Pukšto
Short course description:	<p>The course is aimed at studying the European Union institutions and policy-making, such as the Commission, the Council, the European Parliament and others, their formation, functions and powers are to be analyzed. European legal acts, formation of the single market, particular EU policies, budget, structural funds, Lithuanian integration processes are to be studied.</p>
Course content:	<p>History of the European integration process;</p> <p>The past and future of EU enlargement;</p> <p>Founding treaties of European Union and their past and future amendments;</p> <p>European Union legislation procedures and legal acts;</p> <p>The EU judicial system and judicial review;</p> <p>Different EU policies: trade policy, agriculture policy, regional policy and cohesion, common defense and security policy;</p> <p>Formation and regulation of the Single Market;</p> <p>Bodies and institutions of the European Union: European Parliament, European Commission, consultative</p>



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	<p>institutions, auditing institutions;</p> <p>Europeanization of national bodies and institutions;</p> <p>European Union institutions in comparative perspective: legislature, executive, judiciary, interest groups;</p> <p>The transformation of the nation state from Westphalian system to EU system;</p> <p>The imitation of EU model: regional integration and EU relations with other regional blocks.</p>
<i>Grading and evaluating student work in class and/or at the final exam:</i>	Paper – 20 %, mid-term exam – 30 %, final exam – 50 %.
<i>Required reading and additional study material</i>	<p>Hix Simon, Hoyland Bjorn. The political system of the European Union. Palgrave Macmillan, 2011.</p> <p>Staab Andreas. The European Union explained. Second edition. Indiana University Press: Bloomington, 2011.</p> <p>Wallace H., Wallace W., Pollack M.A. Policy-Making in the European Union. Oxford University Press, 2005.</p> <p><i>Additional literature:</i></p> <p>Van Vooren Bart, EU external relations law and the European neighborhood policy: a paradigm for coherence. Routledge: London and New York, 2012.</p> <p>Rhodes R., Binder S., Rockman B., The Oxford Handbook of Political Institutions. Oxford University Press: USA, 2008.</p>
<i>Additional information (if applicable)</i>	