



APPLIES TO ACADEMIC YEAR  
2002/2003

## GRA 5912 The New Europe: Political and Economic Implications

### Program

Master of Business and Economics Program, Master of Science in Business Administration (MScBA),  
Specialization Course

### Responsible for the course

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### Department

Public Governance

### Term

Fall

### ECTS Credits

6

### Objective

This course provides the student with an introduction to the political and economic implications for society and business of recent developments in Europe and the European Union in particular. The course will present the various Euromanagement perspectives on Europe and the European Union such as economics, business strategies, institutions, policies, history and society. It provides students with tools and frameworks for analysing the impact of the ongoing process of closer economic integration, constitutional reform and the impending enlargement of the European Union in the context of globalisation

### Prerequisites

None

### Compulsory literature

Nugent, Neill. 2002. *The government and politics of the European Union*. 5th ed. London: Palgrave MacMillan.  
Andersen, Svein S. and Kjell A. Eliassen, eds. 2001. *Making policy in Europe: The Europeification of national policy-making*. 2nd ed. London: Sage.  
Hix, Simon. 1999. *The Political System of the European Union*. London. MacMillan Press Ltd. Articles and handouts.

### Recommended literature

George, Stephen and Ian Bache. 2001. *Politics in the EU*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.  
El-Agraa, Ali M., ed. 2001. *The European Union: Economics and Policies*. 6th ed. New York: Prentice Hall.  
Pelkmans, Jacques. 2001. *European Integration: Methods and Economic Analysis*. New York: Prentice Hall.  
Artis, Mike and Frederick Nixon. 2001 *The Economics of the European Union: Policy and Analysis*. 3rd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.  
Wallace, Helen and William Wallace, eds. 2000. *Policy-Making in the EU*. 4th ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.  
Levitt, Malcolm and Christopher Lord. 2000. *The Political Economy of Monetary Union*. Basingstoke: Macmillan.  
Peterson, John and Elizabeth Bomberg. 1999. *Decision-Making in the European Union*. Houndsmills: Macmillan.  
Scharpf, Fritz W. 1999. *Governing in Europe: Effective and Democratic?* New York: Oxford University Press.

Sandholtz, Wayne and Alec S.Sweet, eds. 1998. *European Integration and Supranational Governance*. New York: Oxford University Press.. ew York: Oxford University Press.

**Course outline**

This course provides a broad overview of general developments in the political economy of Europe, the European Union and the process of integration in the context of globalisation. Topics covered include: The EU political and economic system, institutional and treaty reform, lobbying, the single market and Economic and Monetary Union, external relations and trade, enlargement and the relationship between the EU and EFTA countries and the operation of the European Economic Area. The course therefore also covers the impact of European developments on non-member states, including the transition to pluralist market-oriented societies in the Central and East European applicant states, as well as future challenges and the relevance of current developments for business and management. The course addresses the impact of European integration on Norway in particular, and the impact on Nordic society, politics, trade and economies in a situation with Norway and Iceland outside the EU. The final session analyses future challenges in the context of the current process of constitutional change, closer economic integration and impending enlargement of the EU.

**Computer-based tools**

None

**Course structure****Evaluation**

Term Paper

**Evaluation code(s)**

GRA59122

**Aids at the examination**

All

**Makeup exam**

At the next regular exam