UNIVERSITÀ DI PISA

Degree in International Studies - LM-52

Title of the course: The EU and its international relations

Name of the Chair of the course: prof. Sara Poli and external professor Dr Nariné Ghazaryan
Optional course
Year of the course and semester: 2018/2019 (first semester)
ECTS credit: 6
Number of hours: 42

General information and objective of the course

The course is designed for students who have never studied EU law.

Dr Ghazaryan will teach 20 hours (first part of the course) and will prepare and correct the intermediary written test. Professor Poli will cover the rest of the course during the months of November/December.

Syllabus

The reading material (commentaries, COM documents, judgements of the Court of Justice, European Council conclusions) will be uploaded on the elearning platform. Students will be required to read in advance the reading material.

Structure of the course and topics covered

Introduction to the module: basic concepts and institutional aspects

The EU external competence

The EU's participation in International organizations

The EU and the WTO law

The EU and the Council of Europe

International law in the EU legal order

The legal effects of international agreements

The Accession Policy and the European Neighbourhood Policy

Exams and assessment

Assessment: the course is based on classes given by Professors in charge of the course and on presentations of the students in English. Students must take a written intermediary test which is **compulsory** and contributes to 50% of the mark. This test assesses the preparation on the first part of the course and will take place at the end of October 2018. Students' presentations account for the remaining 50% of the mark.

Students' presentations: students will be assigned topics for their presentations and will have to carry out independent research. The presentations will be made in power point; students will also write 3 or 4 questions that their colleagues should be able to answer at the end of their presentations.