

European Studies Winter School

Munich and Vienna

‘Identity Politics in Europe: Competing
Identities and Conflict in the EU and its
Neighbourhood’

January 3 – 21, 2023
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Foreword

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are pleased to invite international students to the European Studies Winter School organised by the Munich International Summer University (MISU) at the LMU Munich.

The European Studies Program takes place under the patronage of the Chair of Political Systems and European Integration at Ludwig- Maximilians-Universität München (LMU Munich) and the Center for Applied Policy Research (CAP).

The European Union is the most prominent example of regional cooperation. Both historical lessons and today's global challenges spur European states to prefer cooperation over unilateral policy-making. Starting out as a peace project resting primarily on economic cooperation, the EU has developed into a supranational polity that does not fit neatly into the categories of a 'state' or an 'international organisation'. European integration resulted in ever expanding EU authority, the 'Europeanization' of national political and economic systems as well as increased foreign security policy cooperation.

At the same time, however, disagreement on how to deal with crises in Europe's eastern and southern neighbourhood, on the handling of refugee flows from the Middle East as well as the still looming sovereign debt crisis seem to show the limits of European consensus and solidarity. Time and again, national particularities appear at odds with the common interests. Domestically, public opinion has become less favourable with regard to European cooperation than it had been in the past, with the United Kingdom having decided to exit the Union. Internationally, the EU is triggered to re-consider its global role given the past US administration's isolationist tendencies and the current security challenges such as the war in Ukraine. Decades of European governance and most recent crises phenomena increased levels of politicization and societal mobilization in Europe. Citizens increasingly form political attitudes and enter into societal conflict along identity lines. Beyond the previous cleavage between left-wing socialist and right-wing neoliberal economic views, today cosmopolitan, green and alternative perspectives clash with traditional, authoritarian and nationalist groups thereby challenging the national and European political systems and decision-makers to organize compromise in society. Against this background, the Winter School analyses identity politics in Europe.

The Munich International Summer University is based on an interdisciplinary approach. It combines different methodologies such as lectures, group-work and students' presentations. I am looking forward to meeting you.

Dr. Stefan Jagdhuber

Head Coordinator EU Studies Programs



Academic Hosts

Prof. Dr. Klaus Goetz,

LMU Munich, Chair of Political Systems and European Integration

One core interest of the Chair is the process of Europeanization of the political system of Germany and the role of Germany within Europe. Another focus relates to integration and migration in the European states as well as the relationship of politics, state and religion in Europe. Finally, neo-institutional perspectives on parliaments are part of the research.



Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Werner Weidenfeld,

LMU Munich, Head of CAP

The Center for Applied Policy Research (CAP) at LMU Munich was founded in 1995 in order to bring together the privately funded, practice-oriented research work attached to the professorship held by Prof. Werner Weidenfeld. Today, the Center is the largest university policy research institute on European and international questions in Germany.



Academic Instructor, MISU European Studies Program Lecturer in Munich

Dr. Stefan Jagdhuber

MISU at LMU Munich

Stefan Jagdhuber is a Researcher Fellow at the Chair of Political Systems and European Integration at the LMU Munich. His research focus is on theories of International Relations and European Integration that he uses to analyze the EU's performance on the international scene as well as the integration trajectory of policies belonging to the EU's Area of Freedom, Security and Justice. He is the academic coordinator of the European Studies Programs of the Munich International Summer University.



Course Schedule

EU Studies

(please see the schedule in detail on our website)

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European Studies seminars

Academic program: 3 – 21 January 2023

Course Contact Hours: 60 class hours

German Language Classes:

Students will be offered 20 contact hours of German Language classes in total. Ten contact hours will be offered online *before* the program starts while the other ten contact hours will take place in-presence during participants' stay in Munich.

Online German Language classes:

28 November - 16 December 2022, Mon. – Fri. from 8.00 to 9.30 am (Munich time; UTC+1h)

Zoom link for the online live sessions and learning material will be sent to participants by email on 1 December 2022.

In-presence German Language classes:

9 – 12 January 2023, Mon. – Fri. 2.00 – 3.30 pm (Munich time; UTC+1h)

Online Learning Tools

Live seminar sessions

As live online tool for the courses, we will use "Zoom". Please find a guide to the tool here:

- <https://support.zoom.us/hc/de>

More general information provided by LMU:

- <https://www.itg.uni-muenchen.de/service/zoom/index.html>

It is not mandatory to create a LMU Zoom account. You will receive an invitation by email for participation in class and the Zoom Client is usable in your browser.

Self-study and asynchronous teaching

As an online learning platform for self-study and asynchronous interaction with your lecturers, we will use Moodle:

- <https://moodle.com/>

The LMU Munich has its own Moodle access which we will use for our program:

- <https://moodle.lmu.de/>

Please note that we will provide you with LMU access information in order to use both Zoom and Moodle without any problems.

Course Requirements

General course requirements

The Academic Board of the MISU defines the requirements and contact hours (1 contact hour comprises 45 minutes) for successful completion of the courses as follows:

- regular attendance (three contact hours max. absence)
- preparation for and active participation in seminars
- self-study and homework assignments
- group presentations
- written assignment (essay, max. 3.500 words)

Literature

All participants receive introduction literature by email in advance. During the course, students will get online access to research papers and articles. Lecturers will upload relevant research papers and distribute a link to course participants for downloading relevant teaching material. Please make sure that you bring an electronic device in order to be able to download these resources. For a general introduction to the European Union we recommend the following volumes that comprise short chapters on the history, the Member States, institutions and policies of the European Union.

Jones, E., Menon, A. and Weatherhill, S. (eds.) (2012): *The Oxford Handbook of the European Union*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Lelieveldt, H. and Princen, S. (eds.) (2015): *The Politics of the European Union*, 2nd edition, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Wallace, H., Pollack, M. and Young, A. (eds.) (2015): *Policy-making in the European Union*, 7th edition, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Student Profile

Target group

The LMU Munich's European Studies Program 2023 is open for students...

...who have an interest in the *European Union* as well as European history and culture

...who have different academic backgrounds and cultural interests

...who are looking for an *interdisciplinary learning environment*

...who are in their B.A. and M.A. and would like to engage in *peer-learning*

...who are awarded with *6 + 3 ECTS credits* for their performance

...who have read this information and follow this link:

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Achievements

Former participants have evaluated this program very positively and stressed the following benefits:

- profound introduction to the European Union through academic excellence
- immersion into the European and the German culture in particular
- intercultural and interdisciplinary exchange with fellow course participants
- consideration to apply for a Master Program in Europe

Credits

Based on the number of contact hours, the overall program can be considered “intensive. To be awarded credits from home colleges/universities for this course, MISU recommends successful students to petition their faculty for the following:

European Studies

- Contact Hours: 60
- ECTS Credits: 6

German Language Classes

- Contact hours: 20
- ECTS Credits: 3

European Credit Transfer system (ECTS) and ECTS Credits

The ECTS was developed in order to provide common procedures that may guarantee academic recognition for studies abroad. ECTS credits are based on the workload students need in order to achieve expected learning outcomes. The ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) is a standard for comparing the academic level and performance of students in Higher Education across the European Union.

Students will be awarded 1 ECTS credit for 30 hours of work, including attending classes, self-study, examinations and essays. The following chart provides grading information:

LMU Grade	Description	Grade ECTS	US	US	Percentage
1.0	excellent	A	A+	4,0	100 – 97
1.0	very good	A	A	3,9	96 – 93
1,3	very good	A	A-	3,7	92 – 90
1.7	good	B	B+	3,5	89 – 87
2.0		B	B	3,3	86 – 83
2.3		B	B-	3,0	82 – 80
2.7	satisfactory	C	C+	2,7	79 – 77
3.0		C	C	2,3	76 – 73
3.3		D	C-	2,0	72 – 70
3.7	sufficient	E	D+	1,3	69 – 67
4.0		E	D	1,0	66 – 60
> 4.0	insufficient	F	E	0,0	59 – 0
NG	not graded	F		0,0	0

Grading

Grading Scale

Grades are defined from the Academic Board of the LMU in Munich according to its general grading system. The LMU differentiates 6 levels (from 1 to 6), which cover everything from introductory course work to original research. This course is offered for students having successfully completed levels 2 and 3.

Level	Description
1	Introductory course with intensive supervision; no course prerequisites; generally first year courses
2	Introductory course, independent study techniques included; no specific course prerequisites; generally second year courses
3	For advanced students, course prerequisites: successful completion of level 1 or 2; examinations test the students' ability to apply knowledge and insights to new problems; generally third year courses
4	Specialized course, course prerequisites: successful completion of level 2 or 3; extensive use of scientific articles; examination may include a small research project, an oral report or written work. This is a third year Bachelor's or first year Master's level course
5	Scientifically oriented course; course prerequisites: successful completion of level 3 or 4; use of scientific advanced literature. This is a Master's level course
6	Very advanced scientific course; latest scientific developments included; examinations consist of a contribution to an unsolved problem with an oral presentation; Master's or PhD level course

Grading Procedure

The grading sections in the program are broken down as follows:

- Essay (3.500 words) = 55 % (Essay submission deadline is 1st March 2023)
- Group Presentation = 25 %
- Active participation in class = 20 %

Transcripts

Every student will receive an official transcript after the successful completion of all program requirements. The transcript will show the course name and contact hours, the number of acquired credits as well as the achieved grades.

Costs

For students of LMU partner universities we offer Waivers

The European Studies Winter School is waived or even free of charge for students of LMU partner universities if they are nominated by their home university.

Please contact the international office of your home university in order to enquire about nominations for participating at the Winter School. Please ask at the international office of your home university whether waivers are available and indicate your waiver eligibility in the online registration process.

For fee-paying students

Students who are not enrolled at a LMU partner university as well as students of partner universities that are not eligible for waivers, may nevertheless apply for the Winter School.

€ 200 Early bird registration fee

€ 400 Regular registration fee

€ 1,150 Tuition EU Studies

€ 250 Tuition German Class

€ 430 Housing fee Munich

€ 430 Housing fee Vienna

Program includes the following services

- lectures
- course reading material
- Travel costs between cities
- Cultural trips and events
- Library and internet access

Registration

Final application deadline: November 1, 2022

Participation might be free of charge for students who are currently enrolled at a partner university of the LMU Munich. Please ask at the international office of your home university whether waivers are available and indicate your waiver eligibility in the online registration process.

Applicants will be informed soon after submitting their application whether or not they will be offered a spot in the program.

During the online application process the following supporting materials (pdf file) have to be uploaded:

Curriculum vitae (CV); Please use the Euro Pass format: <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu> if you do not have your own form.

Statement of motivation; Applicants should write a short statement of no more than one typed page in English as to why they wish to take part in the summer program. We are interested in your academic life and your social and political interest. First of all - what do you expect from this course, the classes and the teachers.

Student ID in case of waiver application

Housing

Munich

The LMU is able to offer accommodation for the participants at a hostel in Munich. The hostel is located close to a bus station with a good connection to the subway. There is also a direct tram going to the university, which is located near Munich's downtown area. Students are accommodated in double rooms. Students with health impairment are kindly asked to inform us in the application process.

All participants will be provided with sheets and blankets, and for each participants a towel. New sheets are available every 5 days.

A kitchen isn't available for your use at the hostel. There is a safe in each room.

Vienna

The LMU is able to offer accommodation for the participants at a hostel in Vienna. The hostel is located near central station and many important sites of Vienna.

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