Syllabus

IMMIGRATION TO EUROPE - 58802

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HU Credits: 4

Degree/Cycle: 2nd degree (Master)

Responsible Department: international relations

Academic year: 0

Semester: Yearly

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:
This course deals with the issue of immigration that is one of the central themes in the age of globalization, and that has crucial impact on international relations, world politics and state-society relations. The focus of the course is immigration to Europe that occupies central place in public and academic debates in Europe particularly in recent years on the question of immigration restrictions, integration and the nexus immigration-security particularly in the context of immigration from non-European countries.

Course/Module aims:
1. To analyze three relevant and central topics:
   (i) EU immigration policies (we will focus on refugees and asylum seeking policies);
   (ii) The impact of immigration on the inter-states relations in the EU
   (iii) immigration-related integration policies in Europe (individual states, European Commission) before and after 90'. In this context we will also discuss the implications of integration failure in Europe expressed in exclusion and racism.
   (iv) the phenomenon of radicalization in Europe usually related with the failure to integrate 3rd and 4th generations of immigrants into European societies. We will also discuss counter-terrorism policies of individual European states, as well as European institutions such as Europol.
2. To analyze the above topics using empirical sources reviewing immigration-related trends and data, but also political theories, theories of security, social theories (sociological, socio-psychological), as well as relevant critical theories.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:
1. To describe and examine central trends in immigration and integration policies of central European states such as France, Britain and Germany as well as the EU.
2. To interpret and to explain integration and immigration policies in Europe via the prism of central theories in IR, political philosophy, sociology and social psychology.
3. To criticize immigration and integration policies in Europe using normative and critical theories.
4. To implement relevant theories discussed in the course in order to explain immigration and integration policies of states other than European, such as Israel.
5. To examine and explain the phenomena of homegrown terrorism in Europe as well as to examine and explain counterterrorism measures in Europe.
6. To interpret and explain the phenomenon of homegrown terrorism in Europe via different theoretical point of views (such as social psychology).
7. To explain and judge counterterrorism policy in the European Union through different analytical prisms and theories for example, the strategic prism, the social prism and the normative prism.
Attendance requirements(%):
90%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: 1. Debate based on reading materials and reading reports.
2. Data presentations
3. One long movie and one short movie along the course.

Course/Module Content:
- Session 1: Introduction- course description, aims and demands
- Session 2: Immigration to Europe- Categorization, Trends and Explanations
- Immigration Policies in Europe
- Session 3: Examining immigration policies and restrictions on immigration to Europe after WWII (We will focus on refugees and asylum seeking regime).
- Session 4: Discussing active defense mechanisms against illegal immigrants.
- Session 5: Discussing preventive measures such as readmission agreements and ex territorial detention camps).
- Session 6: Traditional National Security Theories explaining tough immigration policies.
- Session 7: Constructivist and Critical Securitization theories explaining tough immigration policies.
- Session 8: The impact of immigration on the European Integration.
- Session 9: Movie, "Welcome".
- Session 10: debate on the movie and instructions for seminar paper.
- Integration Policies in Europe
- Session 11: Models of immigrants' integration in Europe.
- Session 12: Theoretical Models explaining integration policies- political theories.
- Session 14: Models of integration policies- Critical theories.
- Session 15: The failure of integration in Europe?
- Homegrown Terrorism in Europe
- Session 16: Information and data
- Session 17: explanations to Fundamentalist Terrorism
- Session 18: European and National Counterterrorism policies-interpretation and explanations.
- Session 19: Refugees and asylum seeking policies in Israel through the security prism broadly defined.
- Sessions 20-28: students' presentations.
Required Reading:
Immigration to Europe- Categorization, Trends and Explanations
Immigration Policies in Europe:
* Tal Dingott Alkopher "At "War" with People Smugglers: Is the EU's Plan to Sink Refugee Ships a Just Use of Force?", Work in Progress.
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Theories explaining tough immigration policies (National security theory, Securitization theory)
*Peter Andreas "Redrawing the Line Borders and Security in the Twenty-First Century" International Security, Vol. 28, No. 2 (Fall 2003), pp. 100-107
The impact of immigration on the EU:
Integration Policies in Europe:
Models of integration policies (political, sociological)
Theoretical issues in explaining integration models (political theory, socio-psychological theory, critical theory)


The failure of integration in Europe?


Homegrown Terrorism in Europe

Information and data


Explanations to Fundamentalist Terrorism


Counterterrorism in Europe:


Tal Dingott Alkopher and Esther Lopatin "Alternative Explanations for Israel's Policy Towards Asylum Seekers and Refugees: From the Traditional Security Prism to the Socio-Psychological Prism", Work in Progress.

Additional Reading Material:

Immigration to Europe- Categorization, Trends and Explanations


kyrien Katarina marina, "Demographic changes immigration policy and development in the European union" EIPASCOPE 2007/3 pp 21-26
Godoy, Leticia Delgado, "Immigration in Europe: Realities and Policies", (Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, June 2002) pp 1-17

Immigration Policies in Europe

Session 3: Examining immigration policies and restrictions on immigration to Europe

- Restrictions on Visas policies and asylum seeking procedures

- Creating an active defense against illegal immigrants


- Preventive measures such as readmission agreements and extraterritorial detention camps


the «Gated Community Syndrome». Journal of European Integration 29 (2): 143-162.
"Take my migrants, please!" The Economist, 14.4.11
http://www.economist.com/node/18561247
Session 4: Theories explaining tough immigration policies (National security theory, Securitization theory)
National Security
Securitization Theory


Integration Policies in Europe

Session 6: Models of integration policies (political, sociological)


Sessions 7-8: Theoretical issues in explaining integration models

political theory


socio-psychological theory


• critical theory
Session 9: The failure of integration in Europe?
Charles Taylor (2012) 'Interculturalism or multiculturalism?' Philosophy & Social Criticism, 38 (4-5):413-423

Homegrown Terrorism in Europe
Session 11: explanations to Fundamentalist Terrorism

Session 12: European and National Counterterrorism policies-interpretation and explanations


Course/Module evaluation:
End of year written/oral examination 0 %
Presentation 20 %
Participation in Tutorials 10 %
Project work 50 %
Assignments 0 %
Reports 20 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information: