

## OIDROY02 - Introduction to European Law

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**Department:** International affairs

**Semester:** 2

**Course level:** L3 undergraduate

**Domain:** Law/Droit

**Teaching language:** English

**Number of in-class hours:** 18

**Number of course sessions:** 6 including Exam

**ECTS:** 3 ECTS

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### Course description and objectives

This is designed as an introductory course to the European Union (EU), and its legal order, for foreign law students.

This course is designed to allow students to understand the key concepts and institutions of EU law, and the regional integration politics of coordinated policies regarding some major XXIst Century challenges.

The course will examine the integration theories and the singular EU constitutional order, as well as the fundamental EU values guiding the European legal Order. An overview of the sources of law and legal reasoning at European Union level and study of the characteristics of European legislation (Treaties and directives) and EU case law will be offered.

This will enable us to look into some key challenges, within a globalized world, that the EU has to face: sustainability and climate change, security and defense, single market development, competition law.

The seminar will rely on case studies and press articles to enable students to understand the context and implications of EU law, as well as helping to familiarize them with some of the most significant caselaw in the area.

Teaching will be in seminar format, with interaction between professor(s) and students.

### Prerequisites

An academic pre-requisite is 2 years of full-time law study.

### Learning outcomes

After completion of the course the student should be able to:

- Comprehend the regional integration theories;
- Understand the founding principles of the EU;
- Master the institutional framework of the EU;
- Comprehend the integrated and coordinated policy approach championed by the EU.

### Assignments and grading

Grading Criteria:

Course participation	50%
Final Exam: presentation	50%

The passing grade for a course is 10/20.

Class participation: Active class participation – this is what makes classes lively and instructive. Come on time and prepared. Class participation is based on quality of comments, not quantity.

## Course structure

Session	Topic
1	Introduction – The history of European integration/Fundamental values of the EU/Brexit
2	EU institutional architecture/Legal Order
3	Sustainability and climate change challenge
4	Security, defense, migration challenge
5	Single market challenge
6	Market competition challenge

## Bibliography

- *Advanced Introduction to European Union Law*, Jacques Ziller, Edward Elgar, 2d ed., 2023.
- *The Evolution of EU Law*, Paul Craig and Gráinne de Búrca, OUP, 3rd ed., 2021.
- *EU Law: Text, Cases, and Materials*, Paul Craig and Gráinne de Búrca, OUP, 7th ed., 2020.
- *European Union Law: A Very Short Introduction*, Anthony Arnall, Oxford University Press, 2017.
- *Handbook of European Policies. Interpretive Approaches to the EU*, Hubert Heinelt and Sybille Münch, Edward Elgar, 2018.

## Moodle

This course is on the Moodle platform.

## Academic Policy

Be aware of the rules in Université Paris Dauphine about plagiarism and cheating during exams. All work turned in for this course must be your own work, or that of your own group. Working as part of a group implies that you are an active participant and fully contributed to the output produced by that group.