



Tárgytematika

EÖTVÖS LORÁND TUDOMÁNYEGYETEM
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Tárgynév:	Contemporary Issues of EU Politics: Governance and Policy-making
Tárgykód:	IRB128:1
Tárgyfelelős neve:	Kopper Ákos
Tárgy követelménye:	gyakorlati jegy (5)
Tárgy heti óraszám:	0/2/0

The goal of this seminar is to give an opportunity for students to discuss contemporary EU politics, mainly issues related to governance and policy-making, in English. Besides widening the knowledge of students on EU matters and developing their analytical skills, the primary aim of the seminar is to improve their English reading, writing and presentation skills. The course is useful for students who are interested in European integration, governance and politics, and it is suitable for those who are familiar with the most important current events of Europe, and are also willing to discuss them with their peers. Besides reading a wide range of articles (both academic and journal) and strategic documents, during the course we will mainly discuss the practical, policy-relevant aspects of the topics. Actively participating in the class discussions is essential, because this is how the language skills of the students improve during the semester. The students will have to read the assigned papers for every class, and on each class (at least) one student will give a short *presentation* (10-15 minutes, power point) on a chosen article which is related to the topic of the class. After the presentation we will *discuss* further questions related to the given topic. *Reading* the recommended literature is a prerequisite of active participation in the classes, thus of passing the course as well. The readings will be available online. At the end of the semester, students will have to provide a *written analysis/policy* brief on a chosen topic.

Note: A basic knowledge on European integration and EU affairs is a MUST for taking the course. This is why the course is mostly recommended for 3rd (or 2nd) year students in international relations or those students of social sciences who have already taken courses on the EU.