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| **POLITICAL CULTURE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION** |
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| **Course description**The course seeks to give a comprehensive picture about the different political cultures among the member-states and tries to analyse the possible development of a European one.

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| **Schedule** |  |
| **1st week** | Introduction; requirements, program of the semester |
| **2nd week** | Basic concepts; concept of the political culture; typologies of the political culture; role of the political culture in the political system |
| **3rd week** | Consensus-oriented political culture |
| **4th week** | Conflictual political culture |
| **5th week** | Political decision-making in the EU |
| **6th week** | Political culture of the EU – neofunctionalism, technocratic leadership, compromise of Luxemburg |
| **7th week** | Political culture of the member-states# 1 – consensual old member-states |
| **8th week** | Political culture of the member-states#2 – conflictual old member-states |
| **9th week** | Political culture of the member-states#3 – Eurosceptic member-states |
| **10th week** | Political culture of the member-states#4 – post-socialist member-states |
| **11th week** | Political culture of the member-states#5 – southern member-states |
| **12th week** | Consultation |
| **13th week** | Evaluation of the essays |

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| **Curriculum**The curriculum composes all of the reading materials and the information presented during the classes. |
| **Reading materials*** Simon Hix (Author), Dr Bjørn Høyland (Author) – The Political System of the European Union (The European Union Series) 1 Mar 2011
* Gabriel Abraham Almond és Sidney Verba – The Civic Culture: Political Attitudes and Democracy in Five Nations
* Roger Eatwell – European Political Cultures
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| **Assessment**Essay |