PS 452/ INT’L 452 – EUROPEAN UNION

Fall Quarter 2010
T&Th 2-3:50pm @ 401 Cramer Hall
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European Union represents the most successful case of regional economic and political integration between 27 countries. The class will focus on how the EU evolved since its beginnings in the 1950s, on its present-day organization and functions, and on how the member countries interact with one another in making EU policies for jointly regulating their internal economies and societies as well as their external policies.

Assignments: Midterm examination and a comprehensive final examination. Attendance is mandatory.

Readings: There two book for purchase:

Additional readings will be provided by the instructor.

Course Outline:

September 28 – 30: Introduction to Regional Integration
Yesilada and Wood, Chs. 1-2
Anderson and Cavanough, "Lessons of European Integration for the Americas"

October 5-7: Emergence of the EU & Enlargement Issues
Y&W, Chs 3-6
McCormick, Chs 2 and 7
Howell, “Developing Conceptualisations of Europeanization: Synthesising Methodological Approaches

October 12-19: Enlargement and EU Institutions
Y&W, Chs 6-7
Stefan Collignon, "Why Europe needs a political union with full democracy"
October 21: Midterm Examination

October 26: Public Opinion in the EU

Y&W, Ch. 8

October 28: EMU

Y&W, Ch. 9
Financial Times reports on the Euro debt crisis

November 2 – 9: Domestic Policies of the EU

Y&W, Ch. 10
Maurizio Ferrera “National Social Citizenship” COMPARATIVE POLITICAL STUDIES, Vol. 36 No. 6, August 2003 611-652

November 11: Holiday

November 16: Justice and Home Affairs

Y&W, Ch. 13

November 18 – 23: Globalization and the EU

Y&W, Ch. 11
McCormick, Chs. 1, 4, and 6
Yesilada, Efird, and Noordijk “Competition Among the Giants”.

November 30 – December 2: Common Foreign and Security Policy

Y&W, Ch. 12 and 14
McCormick, Chs. 3 and 5
Fulvio Attina, "Transatlantic Relations in Post-Iraq War Global Politics"

FINAL EXAMINATION: DECEMBER 6, 2010 10:15 – 12:05 IN CLASS