



## Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Spring Semester 2025

### 4,302: European Governance

ECTS credits: 4

#### Overview examination/s

(binding regulations see below)

decentral - Written examination, Digital, Individual work individual grade (40%, 90 mins.)

Examination time: Term time

decentral - Written examination, Digital, Individual work individual grade (60%, 90 mins.)

Examination time: Term time

#### Attached courses

Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer

[4,302,1.00 European Governance](#) -- English -- [Lehmkuhl Dirk](#)

[4,302,2.01 European Governance: Exercises, Group 1](#) -- English -- [N. N.](#)

[4,302,2.02 European Governance: Exercises, Group 2](#) -- English -- [N. N.](#)

#### Course information

##### Course prerequisites

none

##### Learning objectives

- You develop an understanding of the institutional structure of the European Union, forms of political discourse, contents of political decision making in central fields, dynamics of transformation and their limits
- You understand analytical concepts of the transformation of states and integration in Europe
- You are able to analyse decision-making processes of the European multilevel system by applying theoretical approaches.

##### Course content

The Russian attack on Ukraine and its consequences have reminded the European Union and its member states of the importance of the cornerstones of their cooperation. On the one hand, the peaceful resolution of conflicts cannot be taken for granted from a historical perspective, but requires constant political efforts. On the other hand, economic crises and high inflation clearly challenge the myth of the EU as a project of prosperity. These challenges come up against an EU that has already been confronted with multiple crises in the past decade (euro crisis, refugee crisis, rise of parties critical of the EU, Brexit, dismantling of democratic values in some member states, COVID-19 pandemic, systemic rivalry with China, as well as unresolved issues in relations with neighbouring states such as Switzerland and accession interests in south-eastern Europe). And at the same time, with its European Green Deal, the EU is putting together a comprehensive package of policy measures to respond to the major challenge of global climate change.

In order to understand how multiple crises and economic, geopolitical and socio-political challenges are dealt with in the European multi-level system, a basic knowledge of the interplay between actors and political institutions is indispensable. The development of such an empirical and analytical basic understanding through lectures and exercises is the central learning objective of the course. Thus equipped, the participants of the course are able both to critically engage with current developments and to form their own ideas about the development of the common future in Europe.

Welcome to the course Governing Europe!

##### Course structure and indications of the learning and teaching design

weekly lecture, bi-weekly learning groups



## Course literature

All mandatory readings will be available on Canvas.

## Additional course information

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## Examination information

### Examination sub part/s

#### 1. Examination sub part (1/2)

##### Examination modalities

Examination type	Written examination
Responsible for organisation	decentral
Examination form	Written exam
Examination mode	Digital
Time of examination	Term time
Examination execution	Synchronous
Examination location	On Campus
Grading type	Individual work individual grade
Weighting	40%
Duration	90 mins.

##### Examination languages

Question language: English  
Answer language: English

##### Remark

Exam at midterm; BYOD; Lock down browser

##### Examination-aid rule

Closed Book

The use of aids is prohibited as a matter of principle, with the exception of pocket calculator models of the Texas Instruments TI-30 series and, in case of non-language exams, bilingual dictionaries without any handwritten notes. Any other aids that are admissible must be explicitly listed by faculty members in the paragraph entitled "Supplementary aids" of the course and examination fact sheet; this list is exhaustive.

Procuring any aids, as well as ensuring their working order, is the exclusive responsibility of students.

##### Supplementary aids

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#### 2. Examination sub part (2/2)

##### Examination modalities

Examination type	Written examination
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Responsible for organisation	decentral
Examination form	Written exam
Examination mode	Digital
Time of examination	Term time
Examination execution	Synchronous
Examination location	On Campus
Grading type	Individual work individual grade
Weighting	60%
Duration	90 mins.

## Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

## Remark

final exam; BYOD; lock down browser

## Examination-aid rule

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## Examination content

There are two parts: an exam at mid-term (40%) and a final exam (60%)

The Examination at mid-term focuses on knowledge-based elements relating to the structure and functioning of institutions and key elements of discusses policy fields.

In addition to the knowledge-based component on other policy areas, the final Examination places particular emphasis on analytical skills.

Both the exam at mid-term and the final exam build on the mandatory readings, the lecture and the learning groups.

## Examination relevant literature

You will find the mandatory literature on Canvas. All material will be available in the first week of the lecture period.



## Please note

Please note that only this fact sheet and the examination schedule published at the time of bidding are binding and takes precedence over other information, such as information on StudyNet (Canvas), on lecturers' websites and information in lectures etc.

Any references and links to third-party content within the fact sheet are only of a supplementary, informative nature and lie outside the area of responsibility of the University of St.Gallen.

Documents and materials are only relevant for central examinations if they are available by the end of the lecture period (CW21) at the latest. In the case of centrally organised mid-term examinations, the documents and materials up to CW 13 (Monday, 25 March 2025) are relevant for testing.

Binding nature of the fact sheets:

- Course information as well as examination date (organised centrally/decentrally) and form of examination: from bidding start in CW 04 (Thursday, 23 January 2025);
- Examination information (supplementary aids, examination contents, examination literature) for decentralised examinations: in CW 12 (Monday, 17 March 2025);
- Examination information (supplementary aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised mid-term examinations: in CW 14 (Monday, 31 March 2025);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised examinations: two weeks before ending with de-registration period in CW 15 (Monday, 07 April 2025).