Aims and Objectives

By the end of term, students should (at the very least) . . .

• Acquire a basic knowledge of European Union policy making
• Be familiar with (various) notions of ‘europeanisation’ and ‘multi-level governance’
• Understand the impact of the European Union on politics in Germany
• Be able to gauge the influence of Germany in Europe.

Your Duties

• All students: Regular attendance, participation in class

• For those requiring full credits (“Modulleistung”): You must submit an essay.
  – Assessment is based on your essay (5,500-7,500 words). Your essay title/topic must be chosen from the list you will find below.
  – Your essay must focus on its title/research question
  – All the usual guidelines/requirements apply (see the departmental website). Your essay shou
  – There is only one (the general) deadline
  – Please submit your essay to the office. I do not accept email submissions.

• You must be willing and able to read a lot from week to week. The required readings are on the ReaderPlus system.

• Plagiarism is the most deadly academic sin. If I find you cheating, you will receive a fail mark, and I will consider further action

• Essays must be entirely students’ own work, and any passages from the work of others that are quoted directly or paraphrased or summarised, must be acknowledged and accompanied by full references. Avoid internet sources as they are not normally peer-reviewed (it is of course absolutely ok to use the electronic version of an article from a peer-reviewed journal). If you absolutely have to use material from the internet, you must give the full URL and the date on which the website was accessed.

• Essays must be typed on a computer. They must include an introduction and a bibliography (list of references) that adheres to bibliographic standards. The American Political Science Association’s style manual is a useful but verbose guide (https://www.apsanet.org/media/PDFs/Publications/APSASTyleManual2006.pdf). The main points are summarised here: http://writing.wisc.edu/Handbook/DocAPSA.html.
Topics for your essay

1. Critically define the concept of Europeanisation. How is it different from older concepts such as European Integration or Multilevel Governance? Is it a useful concept at all?

2. “Europeanisation undermines democracy in Germany”. Discuss.

3. “Without europeanised media, there can be no real democracy in the EU”. Do you agree?

4. Could German federalism become a model for a more democratic European Union?

5. Has Europeanisation already transformed the German welfare state? Do you expect major changes over the next five to ten years?

6. Is there a case for a further Europeanisation of Higher Education Policy in Europe? Should the EU be responsible for primary and secondary education?

7. “European asylum and migration policies are a failure”. Discuss.

8. Will the Federal Constitutional Court put an end to further Europeanisation of the German polity?

9. “Current developments in EMU serve German (and Dutch) interests at the expense of other Eurozone members”. Do you agree? Why (or why not)?

10. Does Germany meet its responsibilities with respect to the CFSP?

Slides

- I will put the slides on my website after class

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Important Journals (Selection)

• European Journal of Public Policy
• German Politics
• Journal of Common Market Studies
• West European Politics

References

Background


Required reading


