

# **Department of Political Science**

## PSS 503: EUROPEAN UNION: STRUCTURE AND PROCESSES

Course Objectives:

- 1. To bring out the significance of regional cooperation in the backdrop of European Union
- 2. To enable students to grasp the context and forces at work in the shaping of European Union
- 3. To familiarise students with the experiments of integration and nature and implications of issues emerging in the integration process
- 4. To enable students to assess the issues confronting EU and the emerging role of EU in international relations

Course Outcomes: The Course enables students to -

- 1. Evaluate the pre-requisites for successful operation of the regional organisation
- 2. Assess the transformation of EU from a sectoral integration to a global actor and its mode of operation and its limits
- 3. Critically reflect on major issues of our times such as nationalism, changing dimensions of security, cooperative security, sovereignty and identity etc in the backdrop of European Union
- 4. Understand the implications of the rise of such actors on multilateral global arrangements, on other regions and countries with special reference to India

# Block I: Framework and making of European Union - Context, Treaty Provision and implications

Unit 1 European Union – Significance of the study

Unit 2 European Unity – A historical perspective

Unit 3 Evolution of the European Union - Treaty of Paris, Treaty of Rome, Single

European Act, Maastricht Treaty, Amsterdam Treaty, Nice Treaty

Unit 4 Lisbon Treaty and subsequent developments

#### **Block II: Theorising the integration process**

Unit 5 Neo-Functionalism; Neo-Realism

Unit 6 Federalism

Unit 7 Constructivism

Unit 8 Consociationalism; Multilevel governance

#### Block III: Institutional dynamics and processes - Issues and concerns

Unit 9 Core institutions and Decision making in EU – European Parliament, European

Council, European Commission, Council of Ministers, European Court of Justice

Unit 10 CFSP; CAP; ENP; Enlargement

Unit 11 Subsidiarity, EU and national governments

Unit 12 Challenges - Euro crisis, Democratic deficit, Issues of 'exit' from EU

#### **Block IV: EU in changing International Order**

Unit 13 EU and global governance; EU role in major global conflicts, CSDP; Relations with the US and NATO

Unit 14 EU - Immigration and refugees; European Security Strategy; EU development cooperation/ aid policy

Unit 15 EU and India

Unit 16 EU as normative actor – An assessment

#### **Essential Readings**

- 1. Desmond Dinan, Ever Closer Union: An Introduction to European Integration, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010
- 2. George, Stephen, *Politics and policy in the European Community*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1991
- 3. Hix, Simon and Hoyland, *The Political System of the European Union*, London: Macmillan, 2011
- 4. Lane, Jan-Erik and Ersson, Svante O., European Politics: An introduction, London: Sage, 1996
- 5. Mc Cormick, John, *Understanding the European Union*, *A Concise Introduction*, *New York:* Palgrave, 2014
- 6. Nelson, Brent F., The European Union: Readings on the Theory and Practice of European Integration,

#### Lynne Rienner, 2003

- 7. Nugent, Neill, *The Government and Politics of the European Union*, London, Macmillan, 2010
- 8. O'Neill, Michael, *The Politics of European Integration: A Reader*, London: Routledge, 1996
- 9. Pinder, John., *The European Union A very short introduction*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001
- 10. Zimmermann, Hubert and Dur, Andreas, ed., *Key Controversies in European Integration*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012.

## **Suggested Readings**

- 1. Amin, Jayaraj, ed., European Union in Changing International Order, New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2013
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_, "European Union-South Asia Development Cooperation with special reference to India", *Australia and New Zealand Journal of European Studies*, Issue 2, Vol. 3, 2011, pp.50-63
- 3. Bindi, Federiga and Angelescu, Irina, eds., *The Foreign Policy of the European Union Assessing Europe's Role in the World*, Washigton, DC: The Brookings Institution, 2012
- 4. Cameron, Fraser, An introduction to European Foreign Policy, New York: Routledge, 2012
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- 6. Howorth and Keeler (eds.), *Defending Europe: The EU, NATO, and the Quest for European Autonomy*, Palgrave, 2004
- 7. Keukeleire, Stephen and Delreux, Tom, *The Foreign Policy of the European Union*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014
- 8. Jain, Rajendra K., ed., *India and the European Union in a Changing World*, Dehi: Aakar Books, 2014
- 9. Lelieveldt, Herman and Princen, Sebastiaan, *The Politics of the European Union*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2011
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- 11. Rajendra K Jain, Hartmut Elsenhans and Jayaraj Amin, eds., *The European Union in Transition Economy, Politics, Society*, New Delhi: Radiant, 2007
- 12. Milward, Alan S., The European Rescue of the Nation state, London: Routledge, 1992

- 13. Saurugger, Sabine, *Theoretical Approaches to European Integration*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2013
- 14. Telo, Mario and Ponjaert, Frederik, ed., *The EU's Foreign Policy What Kind of Power and Diplomatic Action?* Surrey: Ashgate, 2013
- 15. Zurcher, Arnold J., *The Struggle to Unite Europe 1940-1958*, New York: New York University Press, 1958

