

JTM616: EU Migration Policies

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Course Description

Class meetings: Tuesday 14:00-15:20

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Annotation:

The course *EU Migration Policies* is designed for Master students of the Faculty of Social Sciences, enrolled in Czech or visiting MA programmes. It offers a basic overview of the complex framework of EU migration policies. During the lessons, students will familiarise themselves with the basic terminology on migration, the international legal framework relevant to the protection of migrants, and the development of EU migration policies in primary as well as secondary law, with a special focus on the asylum agenda. Aside from giving presentations and participating in discussions, students will also put the theory into practice through the final refugee-officer role-playing game.

Learning outcomes:

With discussions and readings required in this course, students will develop their critical thinking about a very complex issue such as migration. Debates with other students will also help the participants to gain skills in social engagement, which is supported by a role-playing game that will serve as a final exam. Finally, by giving their own presentations, students will also strengthen their presentation skills. For non-English speakers, this course offers an opportunity to improve their foreign language skills.

Prerequisites:

Students are expected to have basic knowledge of the European integration process and the EU institutional framework.

Methods:

The course will have the form of a **lecture/seminar**. Each lesson will consist of:

- Lecture by the lecturer
- Presentations by the students
- Discussion (based on required readings and presentations)

All relevant materials as well as course communication will be managed through the **Moodle** course called [EU Migration Policies](#). Students are obliged to enrol by 9th October 2023. The password will be shared at the introductory session.

Requirements:

To successfully complete this course, a student needs to:

- a) Give a presentation on the topic of own choice (10min, ppt); 20p.
- b) Actively participate in the discussions (based on required readings and presentations); 20p.
- c) Submit a request for asylum (role: asylum seeker; 1 page) by 30.12.2023; 20p.
- d) Participate in an asylum interview (roles: asylum seeker/officer; 2x15min) on 16.1.2024; 20p.
- e) Submit a decision of an asylum request (role: asylum officer; 1 page) by 31.1.2024; 20p.
- f) Reach at least 50 % in each of the categories a)-e);
- g) Not to be absent from more than 2 lessons as attendance is mandatory.

Maximum points to get: 100

Minimum points to pass: 51

Range of grades: A: 100-91; B: 90-81; C: 80-71; D: 70-61; E: 60-51; F: 50 & less

Syllabus

Week 1: Introduction

Week 2: Migration Theories and Terminology

Required Readings:

- De Haas, Castles & Miller (2020). *Age of Migration*, Chapter 3. London: Red Globe Press.

Week 3: International Pillars of Human Rights Protection

Presentation:

- International Conventions on Human Rights (UDHR, ECHR, EU Charter)

Required Reading

- Korenica, *The EU Accession to the ECHR: Between Luxembourg's Search for Autonomy and Strasbourg's Credibility on Human Rights Protection* (Cham: Springer, 2015), chapter 4, pp. 89-132.

Week 4: EU Migration Primary Legal Framework

Presentation:

- Schengen Area: Origins, Evolution, and Challenges
- EU Migration Policies Harmonisation: from Maastricht to Lisbon

Required Reading:

- Caviedes, A. (2016). 'European Integration and the Governance of Migration', *Journal of Contemporary European Research*. 12 (1), pp.552-565.

Week 5: EU Migration Secondary Law

Presentation:

- Migrants' Rights in EU Migration Secondary Law (I)
 - Family Directive 2003/86/EC
 - Long Term Residents Directive 2003/109/EC
 - Students and Researchers Directive 2016/801

- Migrants' Rights in EU Migration Secondary Law (II)
 - Single Permit Directive 2011/98/EU
 - Seasonal Workers Directive 2014/36/EU
 - Intra-Corporate Transfer Directive 2014/66/EU

Required Reading:

- Černá, "The EU Blue Card: Preferences, policies, and negotiations between Member States", *Migration Studies* 2, No. 1 (2013): 73-96.

Week 6: EU Migration Soft Policy Tools

Presentation:

- Migration Policy Programmes of Tampere, Hague, Stockholm and Ypres
- Pacts on Migration and Asylum (2008 and 2020)

Required Reading:

- Velluti, "What European Union Strategy for Integrating Migrants? The Role of OMC Soft Mechanisms in the Development of an EU Immigration Policy", *European journal of migration and law* 9, No. 1 (2007): 53-82.

Week 7: Immigrant Integration in the EU

Presentation:

- EU Initiatives Towards Immigrant Integration

Required Reading:

- Geddes & Scholten, "Policy Analysis and Europeanization: An Analysis of EU Migrant Integration Policymaking", *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis* 17, No. 1 (2015): 41-59.

Week 8: International and European System of Refugee Protection

Presentation:

- International System of Refugee Protection
- European System of Refugee Protection

Required Reading:

- Glazebrook, "The Refugee Convention in the 21st century", *Victoria University of Wellington Law Review* 49 (2018): 477-509.

Week 9: EU Asylum Secondary Law

Presentation:

- The Dublin Regulation: Creation, Evolution, and Practice
- Refugees' Rights in the EU Asylum Secondary Law
 - Asylum Qualification Directive 2011/95/EU
 - Asylum Procedures Directive 2013/32/EU
 - Asylum Reception Conditions Directive 2013/33/EU

Required Reading:

- Guild, "The Europeanization of Europe's Asylum Policy", *International Journal of Refugee Law* 18, No. 3-4 (2006): 630-651.

Week 10: EU Refugee Crisis of 2015

Presentation:

- Migration Crisis of 2015: Evolution and Solutions

- CEAS Reform Debate

Required Reading:

- Moreira et al., “Lives on hold: the experiences of asylum seekers in Moria refugee camp”, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 42, No. 4 (2020): 92-107.

Week 11: Irregular Migration to Europe

Presentation:

- EU Law on Entry and Borders Control
 - EU Common Visa Regime
 - Schengen Borders Code (Regulation EU No 2016/399)
 - Sea Borders Regulation (EU) No 656/2014
- Migrant Smuggling & Human Trafficking in Europe
 - Employers Sanction Directive 2009/52/EC
 - Migrant Smuggling Directive 2002/90/EC
 - Human Trafficking Victims Directive 2004/81/EC
 - Anti-Trafficking Directive 2011/36/EU

Required Reading:

- Yildiz, “Impact of the EU–Turkey Statement on Smugglers’ Operations in the Aegean and Migrants’ Decisions to Engage with Smugglers”, *International Migration* 59, No. 4 (2021): 141-157.

Week 12: Visiting Lecturer: Dr. Isabella Trombetta

Required Reading:

- Cusumano, Villa, “From “Angels” to “Vice Smugglers”: the Criminalization of Sea Rescue NGOs in Italy”, *European journal on criminal policy and research* 27, No. 1 (2020): 23-40.

Supportive Readings

Collective of authors, *Common European Asylum System in a Changing World (Introduction): Textbook for Prague Summer School on Migration and Asylum Law*, Charles University 4EU+ Initiative, 2020. Online: <https://cld.bz/QSmKp6j>.

European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights and Council of Europe, *Handbook on European law relating to asylum, borders and immigration* (Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union, 2020). Online: https://fra.europa.eu/sites/default/files/fra_uploads/fra-2020-handbook-law-asylum-migration-borders-2020-ed_en.pdf.

De Haas, Castles & Miller (2020). *Age of Migration*. London: Red Globe Press.