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## 'The European Union in Crisis'

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# Foreword

Dear Sir or Madam,

we are pleased to welcome students from Chulalongkorn University to the Munich International Summer University (MISU) in Germany.

The European Studies Program takes place under the patronage of the Chair of Political Systems and European Integration at Ludwig- Maximilians-Universität München (LMU Munich) and the Center for Applied Policy Research (CAP).

The European Union is the most prominent example of regional cooperation. Both historical lessons and today's global challenges spur European states to prefer cooperation over unilateral policy-making. Starting out as a peace project resting primarily on economic cooperation, the EU has developed into a supranational polity that does not fit neatly into the categories of a 'state' or an 'international organisation'. European integration resulted in ever expanding EU authority, the 'Europeanization' of national political and economic systems as well as increased foreign security policy cooperation.

At the same time, however, disagreement on how to deal with crises in Europe's eastern and southern neighbourhood, on the handling of refugee flows from the Middle East as well as the still looming sovereign debt crisis seem to show the limits of European consensus and solidarity. Time and again, national particularities appear to be at odds with the common interests. Domestically, public opinion has become less favourable with regard to European cooperation than it had been in the past, with the United Kingdom having decided to exit the Union. Internationally, the EU is triggered to re-consider its global role given the current US administration's isolationist tendencies.

Against this background, the summer academy also analyses the EU's handling of its different recent crises and discusses the prospects and challenges for finding a new rationale for European Integration. It thereby relates to the broader debates on the future of Europe and recent academic accounts analyzing the likeliness of 'disintegration'.

The Munich International Summer University is based on an interdisciplinary approach. It combines different methodologies such as lectures, round-table discussions, group-work and students' presentations along with excursions. In addition to the academy, we encourage you to engage in a vibrant international student life on the campus of LMU Munich during the summer of 2019.

Stefan Jagdhuber

Head Coordinator EU Studies programs



# Academic Hosts

**Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Werner Weidenfeld,**  
LMU Munich, Head of CAP

The Center for Applied Policy Research (CAP) at LMU Munich was founded in 1995 in order to bring together the privately funded, practice-oriented research work attached to the professorship held by Prof. Werner Weidenfeld. Today, the Center is the largest university policy research institute on European and international questions in Germany.



**Prof. Dr. Klaus Goetz,**  
LMU Munich, Chair of Political Systems and European Integration

One core interest of the Chair is the process of Europeanization of the political system of Germany and the role of Germany within Europe. Another focus relates to integration and migration in the European states as well as the relationship of politics, state and religion in Europe. Finally, neo-institutional perspectives on parliaments are part of the research.



**Academic Instructor, MISU European Studies Program  
Lecturer in Munich**

**Stefan Jagdhuber**  
Chair of International Relations, LMU Munich

Stefan Jagdhuber is a Researcher Fellow at the Chair of International Relations at the LMU Munich. His research focus is on theories of International Relations and European Integration that he uses to analyse the EU's performance on the international scene as well as the integration trajectory of policies belonging to the EU's Area of Freedom, Security and Justice. He is the academic coordinator of the European Studies Programs of the Munich International Summer University.



# Course Schedule

Time	9.00 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.	10.30 a.m. – 12 p.m.	afternoon
Mon, 22	Arrival in Munich Welcome meeting and city walk		
Tue, 23	<p>Program introduction at LMU</p> <p>The aim of this introductory session is to collect the participants' perspectives on Europe and to identify questions to be dealt with throughout the seminar.</p>	<p>Clearing the underbrush: structure and competences of the EU</p> <p>This session recaps students' previous knowledge on the history and structure of the EU. We use academic concepts and theories to explain European integration.</p>	consultation hour with lecturer
Wed, 24	<p>The Europeanization of Germany and the 'Germanization' of Europe</p> <p>We take a reflexive perspective and think European Integration as a reciprocal process. In how far has European integration left its imprint on the German political / legal system? Further, we ask in how far Germany has shaped the integration process.</p>	<p>The EU in crisis (I): Recovering from the Euro crisis</p> <p>After years of banking- and sovereign-debt crisis the financial markets seem to regain confidence in the Eurozone's economy. In this session we will discuss the EU's management of the Euro crisis and analyse how it has changed the political, economic and social balance of the EU</p>	consultation hour with lecturer
Thu, 25	<p>The EU in crisis (II): 'Fortress Europe' and the migration crisis</p> <p>This session will analyse the political and institutional reality of EU asylum policy in the light of the recent migration crisis. How has the EU reacted to these developments, and how has the challenge of integrating hundreds of thousands of refugees changed the EU?</p>	<b>Field trip to a representative of government or parliament</b>	consultation hour with lecturer
Fri, 26	<p>The EU in crisis (III): Brexit decision and Brexit negotiations</p> <p>Britain has always had a special relationship with the EU. This session will assess how membership in the EU has influenced the political system of the UK and where Britain has left its mark on the EU. We will analyse the UK's decision to leave the EU as well as current Brexit negotiations.</p>	<p>Student presentations of their respective research topics</p> <p>Based on current standards on research methodology, research design and academic writing we will discuss students' thesis proposals.</p> <p>Wrap-up and conclusion of the program</p>	Farewell dinner (tbc)
Sat, 27	Day trip to Salzburg by train (tbc)		
Sun, 28	Departure from Munich		

# Course Requirements

## General course requirements

The Academic Board of the MISU defines the requirements and contact hours (1 contact hour comprises 45 minutes) for successful completion of the courses as follows:

- regular attendance
- preparation for and active participation in seminars
- participation in and contribution to class excursions
- self-study and homework assignments

## Literature

All participants receive introduction literature by email in advance. During the course, students will get online access to research papers and articles. Lecturers will upload relevant research papers and distribute a link to course participants for downloading relevant teaching material. Please make sure that you bring an electronic device in order to be able to download these resources. For a general introduction to the European Union we recommend the following volumes that comprise short chapters on the history, the Member States, institutions and policies of the European Union.

Jones, E., Menon, A. and Weatherhill, S. (eds.) (2012): *The Oxford Handbook of the European Union*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Lelieveldt, H. and Princen, S. (eds.) (2015): *The Politics of the European Union*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Wallace, H., Pollack, M. and Young, A. (eds.) (2015): *Policy-making in the European Union*, 7<sup>th</sup> edition, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

# Student Profile

## Target group

The LMU Munich's European Studies Program 'The European Union in Crisis' in 2019 is of benefit for students...

...who have an interest in the *European Union* as well as European history and culture

...who have different academic backgrounds and cultural interests

...who are looking for an *interdisciplinary learning environment*

...who are in their M.A. and would like to engage in *peer-learning*

...who are willing to *connect with established EU scholars*

## Achievements

Former participants have evaluated this program very positively and stressed the following benefits:

- profound introduction to the European Union through academic excellence
- deep understanding of the EU's most recent crises and challenges
- seeing Europe from different perspectives given the stay at different cities
- immersion into the European and the German culture in particular
- intercultural and interdisciplinary exchange with fellow course participants
- consideration to return to Europe for a doctoral program

# Contact

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