

672-376 European Integration: Politics of the EU

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Undergraduate
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2008.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Thirty contact hours per semester. A 2-hour lecture per week for 10 weeks and a 1-hour tutorial per week for 10 weeks. The lecture and tutorial programs are staggered and cover the 12 weeks of semester Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	Usually one subject of first-year politics or first-year European studies.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	<p><p>For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.</p> <p>It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and Student Equity and Disability Support: http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</p></p>
Coordinator:	Assoc Prof Philomena Murray
Subject Overview:	<p>This subject aims to provide students with an in-depth analysis of the politics of the European Union (EU). It analyses the policy-making of the EU and examines the tensions of sovereignty and Europeanism in the attitudes of the member states and other participants in the integration process. The subject analyses the institutions and participants in the EU, including a detailed examination of the objectives and roles of the 25 member states and the benefits and disadvantages of membership for these states. It further analyses institutional and policy creation and reform. It scrutinises EU policies, including the Common Agricultural Policy and the single currency, the Euro; the Common Foreign and Security Policy and Justice and Home Affairs. It further discusses the issues raised by the EU's Expansion, including the contested issues of protest, representation and participation, the democratic deficit and complexities of citizenship, ethnicity and gender.</p>
Assessment:	A written essay of 2000 words 50% (due mid-semester) and a 2-hour exam 50% (during the examination period).
Prescribed Texts:	Prescribed Texts:A subject reader will be available.Ever Closer Union? An Introduction of the European Community (D Dinan), Macmillan 2004 The Government and Politics of the European Union (N Nugent), Macmillan
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # be able to research through the competent use of the library and other information sources, and be able to define areas of inquiry and methods of research in the preparation of essays; # be able to conceptualise theoretical problems, form judgements and arguments and communicate critically, creatively and theoretically through essay writing, tutorial discussion and presentations;

- # be able to communicate knowledge ideologically and economically through essay writing and tutorial discussion;
- # be able to manage and organise workloads for recommended reading, the completion of essays and assignments and examination revision;
- # be able to participate in team work through small group discussions.