COURSE TITLE

EU Foreign and Security Policy: EuroAtlantic Security at the Beginning of the 21st Century

Language of Instruction: English

Course tutor(s)

Senator Bogdan Klich

Brief Biography:

In the years 2007-2011, Senator Bogdan Klich was the Minister of Defence in Poland. While at this post, Senator Klich ended the military draft and took significant measures towards the modernization of the Polish military. From 2004-2007, he was a member of the European Parliament and an active advocate for human rights activists in Belarus. While a member of the Polish Parliament (2001-2004), Senator Klich served as the vice-chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs as well as the Committee on National Security. Senator Klich held the post of Deputy Minister of National Security between 1999 - 2000 and was responsible for Polish cooperation with NATO as well as the deepened military cooperation with Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Slovakia and the Ukraine. He founded the prestigious Institute for Strategic Studies in Kraków, which specializes in national security issues and international relations.

Course description

The political events of the 90's created in Europe the formation of a co-operative security system that replaced the bipolar system characteristic of the Cold War period. In such a model, a dominating role is played by NATO, which adapts its shape to current international challenges. Increasingly however, EU aspirations to build its own defence policy and forces, capable to participate in crises response operations, are visible. Important players on the international stage are also the United States, Russia as well as the countries of Central European, without which it is impossible today to understand the new shape of European security. This course will address the abovementioned topics.

Type of course

MA level; Specialty course (mandatory/elective) for all specialisations and specialty

Year of Studies: 1 or 2

Number of ECTS

4.5 ECTS

Pre-requisites (if applicable)

None

Intended Learning Outcomes

The chief intended learning outcome is for students to have a thorough understanding of the following topics at the end of the course:

- Fundamental issues of European security,
- Priorities of the policy, the structure and decision-making procedures of NATO,
- The actual shape of the Common Security and Defence Policy within the EU,
- Main dimensions of security policy of the US,
- -Ukrainian foreign and security policy,
- Priorities of Russian foreign and security policy,
- Aspects of the "old" and "new" terrorism,
- Issues of Polish defence policy after the accession of Poland to the Alliance and the EU.

Specific Learning Outcomes

EK1: has ordered and extended knowledge of terminology used in the humanities and social sciences (K_W03 ++)

EK2: has basic knowledge about the framework and functioning of common EU policies as well as NATO policies and their influence on the role and positioning of the European Union in the system

of international relations (K W12 + + +)

EK4: is capable of critical analysis, evaluation and synthesis of new and complex ideas. Have an ability to use the appropriate terminology of the areas of European Studies (K K05 + +)

EK5: has the ability to write independent and creative essays in Polish or in any foreign language (different from the language of study programme) based on a suitable selection of sources and methodological workshops; ability to write an MA thesis based on own research questions/hypotheses (K 009 + + +)

EK6: has the ability prepare written or oral presentations which comply with all academic rules and regulations (especially Intellectual Property Law) (K U12 + + +)

EK7: has the ability to integrate knowledge and formulate judgments on social, political and economic issues (K U18+)

EK9: has the ability to effectively work individually as well as interact and work in a group, performing different roles in it (K K02 + + +)

EK11: is aware of having to bear the consequences of individual and team work (K_K09+)

Course communication

Email: biuro@klich.pl

Notices and announcements

All announcements and course updates will be posted by CES in the online calendar as well as through email.

COURSE ORGANISATION

Autumn Semester

Time and Place: will be posted by CES in the online calendar.

Course type (seminar/lecture/workshop, etc.)

Each session will be divided into three parts: lecture, case presentation and class discussion.

The subject of the individual presentation and essay must be previously discussed and accepted by the instructor.

Contact hour:

30 hours

Balance of ECTS credits

Attendance (lecture/seminar): 30 h

Independent study of topics of lectures: 30 h Preparation of the presentation: 22,5 h Preparation of written work: 30 h

Together: 112,5 h ECTS credit: 4.5

Didactic methods used

Lecture Seminar Presentation Class discussion

Mode and criteria of assessment of learning outcomes

K_W03 , K_K05 – assessment based on presentation, essay and exam

K_W012 -exam, presentation and essay

K U09 - essay

K_U12 – essay, presentation

K_U18 - exam, presentation, essay, participation in a discussion during classes

K_K02, K_K09 – evaluation of the student's progress made by the lecturer on the basis of active class participation, his/her presentation and essay

Assessment

Students' active participation in all teaching sessions is required. A list of recommended readings will be presented by the instructor before each session. If necessary, students will have the opportunity to consult with the instructor after each session and receive individual attention.

During the semester, each student will be obliged to prepare an oral presentation on a chosen topic, relevant to the theme of the course.

An essay, related to the issue of European security, will be required at the end of the course. Moreover, students must take and pass a written exam at the end of the semester, in order to receive credit for the class. PLEASE NOTE: Only students who make an oral presentation and actively participate in a minimum of 5 sessions will be eligible to take the final exam. If a presentation is marked negatively or the student is unable to make the presentation, the student concerned must write a make-up paper covering the same topic (as was assigned for the presentation) and submit it to the CES office by the last day of the semester if they want to be allowed to take the exam during exam session (I attempt).

Missing more than 3 classes will result in the failure of the course and the need to retake it in the following year.

The following is a breakdown of the final grade:

Attendance, participation and the oral presentation: 20%

Essay: 30% Final Exam: 50%

SCHEDULED CLASSES	
Title of the session	Format
Poland's Security and Defence Policy	Seminar
NATO between the Washington and Newport summits:	Seminar
Strategic Concepts, Analyses, Decisions and Policies	
Internal Adaptation of NATO: Organization, Decision-making	Seminar
Procedures and Defense-planning System	
Problems of NATO Operations and Enlargement	Seminar
American Response to Global Security Threats and Challenges	Seminar
New Shape of Russian Foreign and Security Policy and the	Seminar
War in Ukraine	
Contemporary Military Conflicts: Iraq, Afghanistan, the	Seminar
Balkans and the Caucasus	
Global Terrorism as a Challenge for International	Seminar
Organizations	