



## Course Outline

Course number	RBE312				
Course title	European Union: institutions, governance principles and competences				
Credit points	3 ECTS				
Total hours	80				
Lecture hours	22				
Seminar and other hours	8				
Course level	Bachelor				
Prerequisites	None				
Category	Mandatory		Restricted elective	X	Free elective

### COURSE RESPONSIBLE

<i>Name</i>	<i>Academic degree</i>	<i>Academic position</i>
Mr. Aldis Austers	PhD cand.	Guest Lecturer

### COURSE TEACHERS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Academic degree</i>	<i>Academic position</i>
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### COURSE ABSTRACT

This course is devoted to the issues linked to the development and governance of the EU. During this course students will be introduced with the historical stages of the EU development, the theoretical aspects of European integration process and the EU's institutional structure and competences. This course aims to disclose the driving forces behind the EU integration and the motives of the countries' accession to the EU, and now – also of departure.

### COURSE OBJECTIVES

The aim of the course is to improve students' awareness of the principles of the functioning and governance of the EU and to facilitate the ability for critical appraisal of European integration processes.

### GRADING CRITERIA

Criteria	Weighting
In-class exam	60%
Seminar presentations	40%

## **COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

### **COURSE PLAN – MAIN SUBJECTS**

<b>No.</b>	<b><i>Main subjects</i></b>	<b><i>Planned hours</i></b>
1.	History of the EU and the general principles	7.5
2.	Main theoretical approaches explaining EU's development	7.5
3.	Political aspects of EU	7.5
4.	Economical aspects of the EU	7.5