







## Digital competences of academic staff. A new dimension of Mediterranean studies

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## Module syllabus for higher education subject

Faculty name	Department of Political Science, Law and International
The name of the unit running the	Studies, University of Padova, Italy  Department of Political Science, Law and International
module	Studies
The name of the module	Advanced European Union Law
ISCED classification	7
Language of instruction	Italian
Instruction aims	Italiali
msu ucuon anns	The course aims to provide students with a theoretical-practical understanding of the functioning of the legal framework and institutions of the European Union. To this purpose, the course develops over 6 main thematic blocks or "clusters" covering different areas of European Union Law.
Module's learning outcomes. Upon successful completion of the module the student	Through a careful analysis of the leading cases of the European Court of Justice, students are expected to foster their ability to develop a dialectic reasoning and to assess the relevance of legal arguments.
Evaluation criteria of learning outcomes obtained by students	The student will have to demonstrate a good command of the course topics, ability to analyse and critically approach issues dealing with the concepts discussed during the course and their practical applications. Furthermore, the student will have to demonstrate the ability to develop a dialectic reasoning, to sustain an argument, and to use the specific legal lexicon.  The language of the exam can be either Italian or English.
Module type	Compulsory for Relazioni internazionali e diplomazia, optional for Lingue moderne per la comunicazione e la cooperazione internazionale.
A year of study	II
Semester	I
Module form	6 hours per week
Name and the surname of the module coordinator and / or the person / persons running the module	Diego Zannoni, University of Padova
Name and surname of the exam (s) / supervisor(s)	Diego Zannoni, University of Padova
Module's implementation method	Dual (face to face and online teaching).
Prerequisites and additional seminar	
requirements	No formal prerequisites required. In particular, the exam of European Union Law is not a prerequisite. However, the course presupposes a good command, at least, of the legal sources of European Union Law. For a refresh of the subject or of individual parts, students can use the book they have already studied on for the exam of European Union Law. Failing this, the study is recommended to study the Introduction and chapters III (The institutional structure), IV Part Two (Secondary norms) and V (The formation of

	norms) of the following book: Giuseppe Tesauro, Manuale di diritto dell'Unione Europea, edited by Patrizia De Pasquale and Fabio Ferraro, Second Edition, 2020. The effective command of these basic notions is ascertained during the exam.
Type and number of hours of classes that require direct participation of an academic instructor and students, if such classes are provided in a given module	45 hours
The number of ECTS points assigned to the module	6 ECTS
The balance of ECTS points	
Didactic methods used	The course is characterised by a theoretical and practical approach at the same time. The leading judgments of the European Court of Justice will be extensively analyzed, in order to grasp the underlying reasoning and deepen the knowledge of relevant legal institutions and concepts. During the lectures, students will be invited to actively participate in in-class debates.
Completion criteria including the rules of admission to the exam, as well as the form and conditions for passing particular classes within the scope of a given module	Do not apply to this module.
Contents of the module (brokedown into forms of classes)	Starting from a brief re-fresh of the basic notions of European Union Law, in particular the so called direct effect and the primauté of European Union Law, this module develops over 6 main thematic blocks or "clusters" which address as many relevant dimensions for understanding and critically addressing the functioning of the legal framework and institutions of the European Union:
	1) cluster one: The European Union as a supranational entity. The external relations of the European Union. In this part, the nature and structure of the European Union both as a "supranational" entity and as a subject of international law will be analyzed.
	2) cluster two: The division of competences between European Union and Member States In this part of the course the division of competences between European Union and Member States is analysed, using taxation as a case study.
	3) cluster three: The European Union in outer space In this part the legal nature of the "space competence" of the European Union is clarified as well as the relationship between the European Union and the European Space Agency.
	4) Cluster four: The protection of human rights in European Union Law This part addresses to the study of the protection of human rights in European Union law from a historical perspective

	and with particular regard to the evolution of the European Court of Justice case-law.
	Court of Justice case-law.
	5) Cluster five: The centralized judicial control system of the European Union
	In this part of the course, an in-depth study on the centralized judicial control system of the European Union will be carried out. Particular attention will be paid to the procedural rules regulating the proceedings before the European Court of Justice and the Tribunal.
	6) Cluster six: European Union competition law This part of the course is dedicated to the study of competition law, with particular regard to the judicial control in competition matters and to the right of defence of the enterprises.
	Particularly connected to DG-MED -project:
	Cluster one because it analyses the legal framework of the EU external relations and the EU procedure to conclude international agreements.
	Cluster three because space technologies play an increasing important role in the area of security and cooperation.
	Cluster four because the human rights issue is also analysed in its external dimension, with a particular focus on the conditionality tool.
List of basic and supplementary literature required to complete a given module	There is no textbook for attending students. Relevant legislative and jurisprudential sources will be uploaded in the moodle page of the course.  The textbook for non-attending students is Roberto Adam, Antonio Tizzano, Manuale di diritto dell'Unione Europea,
	Third Edition, 2020.