GEOG-317 Political geographies of Europeanization

2. Course code
GEOG-317

3. Course status: compulsory or optional
optional geography
GEOG-300
Is available to students from other degree programmes (for example European Studies), but the number of students may be limited.

4. Course level (first-, second-, third-cycle/EQF levels 6, 7 and 8)
Master’s level, EQF level 7 advanced studies

5. Recommended time/stage of studies for completion
1. year of M.Sc. Studies

6. Term/teaching period when the course will be offered
fall term, period 2

7. Scope of the course in credits
5 cr

8. Teacher coordinating the course
Juho Luukkonen

9. Course learning outcomes
The course gives insights into the current debates in political geographies. After completing the course, students:

- are able to apply political geography’s theoretical frameworks to spatial planning policies and research
- understand the spatial and territorial dimensions of European integration
- are able to assess and identify various political discourses and policy practices related to the EU’s territorial politics
- are able to evaluate critically the role of spatial development and planning policies in European integration.

10. Course completion methods
Lectures 20 h, lecture diary, project work (written and oral presentation).

11. Prerequisites
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12. Recommended optional studies
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13. Course content
In this course, students examine the relations between European integration, territorial politics and spatial planning policies. Special focus is on the discourses and material practices related to the production of European territory as a policy object. Particular attention is paid to the Europeanization of regional development and planning policies and to the role of these policies in making of European spaces.

14. Recommended and required literature

Required literature:


Recommended additional literature:


15. Activities and teaching methods in support of learning


16. Assessment practices and criteria, grading scale

Lecture diary is evaluated at the scale of pass/fail. Coproduced project work and the associated seminar presentation at the scale 1–5.