Course Title:
Topics in International Studies: EU, NATO, and European Security

Course Number:
IAS 5940-105

Course Description:
This course will study the historical and current themes of the developing European experience from the perspectives of both Americans and Europeans. We will examine how an increasingly wealthy Europe deals with the economic, military, immigration and social pressures it experiences from the Middle East, Russia and North Africa. Of particular interest will be the changing dynamic of the trans-Atlantic partnership and what challenges it holds for North Americans.

Class Dates, Location and Hours:

Date: September 17-23, 2012
Hours: Mon- Fri 6:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.; Sat 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Last day to enroll or drop without penalty: August 19, 2012

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Professor availability: The professor will be available via e-mail to students before and after the class sessions. On-site office hours are half an hour before and after each class session, by appointment.

Textbook(s) and Instructional Materials:
Student materials are available at the Follett/AP Bookstore located in the Oklahoma Memorial Union, 900 Asp Ave., Norman, OK. Orders can be placed online at www.oklahomaunion.bkstr.com or by telephone at 866-369-9713 (toll free in the U.S.) or 405-325-5960 (outside the U.S.). E-mail orders may be sent to oklahomaunion@bkstr.com. Representatives are available from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. CST Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST on Friday. Summer hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. CST. Faxed orders may be placed 24 hours a day to 866-223-5607 (toll free in the U.S.) or 405-325-1557 (outside the U.S.)


Course Objectives:

Students will develop a greater understanding of the European perspective towards international affairs, defense and security issues – and how this differs from the American perspective.

Despite having been devastated by the greatest conflict in the history of mankind, the Second World War, Europe has accomplished an impressive recovery over the past 60 years. Indeed, much of the world’s focus has remained on Europe since the end of the Cold War as it continues to solidify politically through the European Parliament, economically via the European Union (EU) and militarily with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). America must now balance its international and economic policies with this enlarging European entity – a new dynamic with implications for global security.

Assignments, Grading and Due Dates:

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Detailed instructions for assignments will be provided by the instructor during the first class.

Grading: This is a letter-graded course: A, B, C, D, or F.

NOTICE: Failure to meet assignment due dates could result in a grade of I (Incomplete) and may adversely impact Tuition Assistance and/or Financial Aid.
POLICIES AND NOTICES

Attendance/Grade Policy

Attendance and participation in interaction, individual assignments, group exercises, simulations, role playing, etc. are valuable aspects of any course because much of the learning comes from discussions in class with other students. It is expected that you attend all classes and be on time except for excused emergencies.

Excused absences are given for professor mandated activities or legally required activities such as emergencies or military assignments. Unavoidable personal emergencies, including (but not limited to) serious illness; delays in getting to class because of accidents, etc.; deaths and funerals, and hazardous road conditions will be excused.

If you are obtaining financial assistance (TA, STAP, FA, VA, Scholarship, etc.) to pay all or part of your tuition cost, you must follow your funding agency/institution’s policy regarding “I” (Incomplete) grades unless the timeline is longer than what the University policy allows then you must adhere to the University policy.

Students who receive Financial Aid must resolve/complete any “I” (Incomplete) grades by the end of the term or he/she may be placed on “financial aid probation.” If the “I” grade is not resolved/completed by the end of the following term, the student’s Financial Aid may be suspended make the student ineligible for further Financial Aid.

Students are responsible for meeting the guidelines of Tuition Assistance and Veterans Assistance. See the education counselor at your local education center for a complete description of your TA or VA requirements.

Academic Honesty

Honesty is a fundamental precept in all academic activities and … [you] have a special obligation to observe the highest standards of honesty. Academic misconduct in any form is inimical to the purposes and functions of the University and is therefore unacceptable and is rigorously proscribed. Academic misconduct includes:

- cheating (using unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise), plagiarism, falsification of records, unauthorized possession of examinations, intimidation, and any and all other actions that may improperly affect the evaluation of a student’s academic performance or achievement; assisting others in any such act; or attempting to engage in such acts.

All acts of academic misconduct will be reported and adjudicated as prescribed by the student code of the University of Oklahoma. All students should review the “Student’s Guide to Academic Integrity” found at http://www.ou.edu/provost/integrity

Accommodation Statement

The College of Continuing Education [Advanced Programs] is committed to making its activities as accessible as possible. For accommodations on the basis of disability, please contact your OU Site Director.

Course Policies

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Education
• 2007 MA (War Studies) Royal Military College of Canada, Kingston, Ontario
• 1989 BA (History) York University, Glendon College, Toronto, Ontario

Current Positions
• Senior Staff Officer, Canadian Forces Aerospace Warfare Centre, 8 Wing, Trenton, Ontario
• OU College of Liberal Studies lecturer since 2011
• Advanced Programs lecturer since 2009
• International and Area Studies lecturer since 2008

Frequently Taught Advanced Programs Courses
• IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies: EU, NATO and European Security
• IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies: Afghanistan in Conflict
• IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies: Western Hemispheric Security – An American Dilemma

Other Courses Frequently Taught at OU
• LTSD 5790 The Citizen as Soldier (College of Liberal Studies)

Major Areas of Teaching and Research Interest
• Modern European / North American Security Issues
• Cold War – Allied Air Power

Representative Publications and Presentations
MA Thesis Fighters First: The Transition of the Royal Canadian Air Force 1945-1952