

## Course Evaluation

Course: The European Union and its Challenges (PS381)  
Instructor: Elena B. Stavrevska  
Term: Spring 2018

General course information	Avg.											No. of students
"I have worked to the best of my ability in this class."*	<b>4</b>	4	4	3	5	5	4	3	3	5		9
Number of classes missed	<b>2.3</b>	2	1	5	1	3	2	2	3	2		9
Estimation of workload in hours/week spent on reading of assigned texts	<b>5</b>	2	9	6	5	4	4	4	3	8		9
Evaluation of the course*	Avg.											No. of students
The course was challenging	<b>4.3</b>	4	5	4	5	4	4	5	3	5		9
I have acquired new knowledge and skills (I know more about the subject than I did prior to taking this course)	<b>4.8</b>	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5		9
The course promoted thought and discussion outside the classroom	<b>4.7</b>	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	3	5		9
The course objectives were clear	<b>4.9</b>	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5		9
Grading criteria were clear	<b>4.7</b>	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	5	5		9
The course requirements were clear	<b>4.4</b>	5	4	5	5	3	4	4	5	5		9
Overall rating of course	<b>4.4</b>	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4		9
Evaluation of the instructor*	Avg.											No. of students
The instructor seemed prepared and ready to teach	<b>4.8</b>	5	4	5	5	5	5	4	5	5		9
The instructor deepened my understanding of the subject	<b>4.9</b>	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5		9
The instructor was able to communicate ideas, theories, skills and/or concepts effectively	<b>4.9</b>	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5		9
The instructor's feedback about my work was helpful	<b>4.7</b>	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5		9
The instructor facilitated active engagement with the subject	<b>4.9</b>	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5		9
The instructor was available and approachable about the class and course work	<b>4.7</b>	5	4	5	5	5	4	4	5	5		9
Overall rating of instructor	<b>4.7</b>	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	4	5		9

**Comments:**

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- Elena has been a fantastic seminar leader. She is extremely knowledgeable on both the EU and global politics. Her extensive knowledge of history and surrounding issues were of benefit during all our classroom discussions. She facilitated classroom discussions extremely well, and assignments were interesting and effective in understanding topics better. The structure of the class, understanding the history and mechanisms of the EU set the stage for more thorough exploration of topics like EU relations with China, EU and Russia. I am very happy I took the class.

- This class was very interesting and one of my favorite subjects that I have taken in BCB till now. This class helped me to know more about the European Union and its challenges and how these are so relevant nowadays, specially when we are European citizens. Elena is a great professor that made the material clear and also made every class interesting. We did not only talk about the readings but we also talked about recent news and how it affects the everyday life. I would love to have a class like this next semester which is included in the major "Ethics and Politics", because it made me think outside class and it made me think about all the events happening each day. Therefore, I think that this class motivated me even more for my major and I would love to take one like this next semester, so I would be thankful to have this delightful experience again with a professor specialized in International Relations.

- Elena is a wonderful person and has a very structured and organized approach to covering the basic materials in our readings. She is very conscientious and meticulous. The readings assigned were interesting, and usually in pairs which presented conceptually contrasting approaches which presented a contest between opposite viewpoints.

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\* Rating: Strongly disagree (1), Disagree (2), Neutral (3), Agree (4), Strongly agree (5)