Course Information Form (CIF)

Course Code: ECO 165

Course Title: Economics and Politics of the European Community

Department: Arts, Media, and Social Sciences
PCS Code: 1.1 - Baccalaureate/Transfer
CIP Code: 45.0601
Repeatability: 0

Effective Date: Summer 2026

Credit Hours

Catalog Notation: 3-0-3
Credit Hour Distribution:

Lecture: 3	Lab: 0	Clinical: 0	**Total: 3**

General Course Information

Catalog Description

Process and institutions of European economic and political integration; emphasis on European Community countries and countries of the European Free Trade Area. (Salzburg Study Abroad Program only)

General Course Objectives

Students will gain understanding of the process and institutions of European economic and political integration.

Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
None	Placement out of CCS 098	None

Prerequisites

None

Methods of Evaluation

65% of grade: 2 essay exams, midterm, and final. 35% of grade: 1 term paper (6-8 pages).

Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

The Economics and Politics of European Integration, 1st edition, by Ivan T. Berend. 978-0367558314
Other readings in the form of articles and open access sources will be chosen by the instructor and made available to the students.

Course Content

General Learning Outcomes (GLOs)

- Global Awareness and Cultural Reasoning: Students will demonstrate their understanding of global issues, gender and sexual orientation, and multicultural perspectives.

Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Evolution and Rationale for the European Community	1. Explain when and why the E.C. came about.	6	0	0
Free Trade Areas	1. Explain the theory of Free Trade.	5	0	0
Theory and Process of Fixed Exchange Rates, Monetary Integration, and Common Currencies	1. Describe the financial changes involved in European integration.	6	0	0
Economic, Judicial, and Political Institutions of the E.C.	1. Explain the evolution and development of E.C. institutions.	5	0	0
Milestones in the E.C.: The Single European Act and Brexit	1. Describe the causes and consequences of 1992 initiatives. 2. Describe the changes leading up to and the consequences of Brexit to the European Union.	5	0	0
Relationships Between the E.C. and European Free Trade Area	1. Explain the former socialist countries of the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance.	6	0	0
Effects of European Economic and Political Integration on the U.S.	1. Summarize the effects on the U.S., including trade, monetary, and policy.	6	0	0
The European Union in the Global Economy	1. Discuss the consequences for world economic and political relationships of a united Europe.	6	0	0

Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
45	0	0