***The Law and Institutions of the EU***

**I. Data on the course teachers:**

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| **Name and surname:**  Saso Georgievski  Tatjana Petrusevska  Ilina Cenevska | **Teaching and Academic Titles:**  Full Professor, Ph.D**.**  Full Professor, Ph.D.  Assistant Professor, Ph.D. |

**II. Data on the teaching assistants and other lecturers:**

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| **Name and surname of the teaching assistant/s:** | **Teaching and Academic Designations and titles:** |
| **Other lectures and experts from the practice:** | |

**III. Basic information about the course programme and materials:**

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| **Course title:** The Law and Institutions of the EU | |
| **Course Code:** | **Number of credits earned:**  **7** |
| **Number of course classes/hours:**  **48** | **Number of pages of obligatory course materials:**  **390 p.** |
| **Year of Study**: | **Semester of Study:** |

**IV. Course description and key words and terms:**

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| **Course description:** |
| The course The Law and Institutions of the EU is intended to provide students of political science with a basic knowledge of European integration as well as the conceptual, structural and institutional set-up of the European Union, both from a historical and a present-day perspective. Emphasis is given to the study of the EU institutions and the decision-making processes in the Union, the Union’s competences as compared against those belonging to the Member States, the nature of the EU legal order and the basic legal principles upon which it has been founded (the principles of supremacy and direct effect of EU law, the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality, the principle of non-discrimination, etc.). Further, the course will cover the study of the sources of EU law (primary and secondary) and the legal effect they produce at the Union and the Member State level. In this sense, the role of the EU Court of Justice in interpreting these legal sources and determining their validity and legal effect will be looked at. In the final part of the course, the emphasis will be put on the Union’s enlargement policy and more specifically, the relations between the EU and the Republic Macedonia as a candidate country for EU membership. The political, economic and legal arrangements that characterise this relationship will be duly analysed and put into context. |
| **Course materials key words and terms:** |
| European Union – EU institutions – EU integration |

**V. Course goals and results:**

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| By completing this course, students are expected to, at the very least: be well acquainted with the basic rules and principles of the EU legal order, have a full and thorough understanding of the institutional architecture of the EU after the amendments introduced in the Union’s founding treaties via the Lisbon Treaty; be able to correctly interpret and apply the EU legal rules to particular factual situations and contexts. |

**VI. Teaching methodology:**

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| The course will be taught by relying on a methodology which includes a systematic and integral study of both the theoretical and the practical aspects of the subject matter. The subject matter will be analysed and put into context by using an interactive approach of teaching which actively involves the student. The active involvement of the student will take the form of group presentations on given topics, written assignments and preparation and taking part in class discussions |

**VII. Detail structure of the course syllabus:**

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| **Course week no. 1** | **Number of course hours:4** |
| **Study unit**:  *European Integration – theoretical and practical aspects* | **Obligatory course materials:**  S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010. |
| **Detail description of the study unit:** | |
| **Course week no. 2** | **Number of course hours:4** |
| **Study unit:**  *The Institutions of the European Union (1)* | **Obliga*tory course materials:***  S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010 |
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| **Course week no. 3** | **Number of course hours:** |
| **Study unit:**  *The Institutions of the European Union (2)* | **Obligatory course materials:**  S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010 |
| **Detail description of the study unit:** | |
| **Course week no. 4** | **Number of course hours:** |
| **Study unit:**  *Primary and secondary sources of EU Law* | **Obligatory course materials:**  S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010 |
| **Detail Description of the study unit:** | |
| **Course week no. 5** | **Number of course hours:** |
| **Study unit:**  *EU’s legislative competences; The EU legislative process* | **Obligatory course materials:**  S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010 |
| **Detail description of the study unit:**. | |
| **Course week no.6** | **Number of course hours:** |
| **Study unit:**  *Direct effect and supremacy of EU Law* | **Obligatory course materials:**  S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010 |
| **Detail description of the study unit:** | |
| **Course week no.7** | **Number of course hours: 48** |
| **Study unit:**  *General principles of EU Law* | **Obligatory course materials:**  S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010 |
| **Detailed description of the study unit** | |
| **Course week no.8** | **Number of course hours:48** |
| *Common Foreign and Security Policy of the EU* | **Obligatory course materials:**  T. Petrusevska, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 2), Skopje, 2012. |
| **Detailed description of the study unit:** | |
| **Course week no.9** | **Number of course hours:48** |
| **Study unit:**  *Police and Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters; Free Movement of Persons (Schengen)* | **Obligatory course materials:**  T. Petrusevska, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 2), Skopje, 2012. |
| **Detailed description of the study unit:**. | |
| **Course week no. 10** | **Number of course hours:48** |
| **Study unit:**  *EU’s Policy on Enlargement; The EU Membership Criteria;* | **Obligatory course materials:**  T. Petrusevska, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 2), Skopje, 2012. |
| **Detailed description of the study unit:** | |
| **Course week no. 11** | **Number of course hours:** |
| **Study unit:**  *The Relations between the EU and the Republic of Macedonia; The Stablization and Association Agreement;* | T. Petrusevska, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 2), Skopje, 2012.. |
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| **Course week no.12** | **Number of course hours:** |
| **Study unit:**  *The Relations between the EU and the Republic of Macedonia; The Stablization and Association Agreement (2)* | T. Petrusevska, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 2), Skopje, 2012. |
| **Detailed description of the study unit:**. | |

**VIII. Activities involving other institutions**

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| **Study visits to outside institutions** |
| N/A |

**IX. Course materials and literature**

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| **Obligatory course materials:** |
| S. Georgievski, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 1), Skopje, 2010  T. Petrusevska, *Introduction to EU Law* (Part 2), Skopje, 2012 |
| **Further study material:** |
| European Commission’s annual progress reports for the Republic of Macedonia |
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