

## ***Introduction to the Political System of the EU - Mandatory reading (Reader)***

*Reader Chapters and the Schedule of Lectures 2015.*

### FIRST LECTURING UNIT

- I EU as a Polity - Democracy, Federalism, Constitutionalism
- II Legitimacy Dilemmas in the EU

### SECOND LECTURING UNIT

- III EU Identity Issues
- V European Public Sphere

### THIRD LECTURING UNIT

- IV EU Civil Society?
- VI EU - Eurozone Crisis
- VII - Christianity and Multiculturalism in the EU Identity

Exam Instructions:

Introduction to the Political System can be passed in either of the two following ways:

a) Students can pass exam in the January exam term, by collecting points through pre-exam assignments. For each lecturing unit, consisting of two or three successive lecturing blocks, home assignments will be posted on the respective *moodle* page, following the end of the last lecture. Students will be required to submit their written responses within the following time framework:

For I+II lecturing block, assignments (2+2 QUESTIONS) will be posted on November 25, and have to be submitted by December 4, 12pm

For III+V lecturing block, assignments (2+2 QUESTIONS) will be posted on December 12 and have to be submitted by December 18, 12pm

For IV+VI+VII lecturing block, assignments (1+2+1 QUESTIONS) will be posted on December 23, and have to be submitted by January 5, 2016, 12pm

### **Note:**

No written submission posted after the deadline shall be taken into consideration. Student is not required to submit the response on each given six assignment. Assignments shall have from 300 to 600 words, and shall be evaluated by the following marks – 0; 0,5 and 1 point. In order to pass the exam, student shall collect at least 50% of the total number of points.

The final exam grade will be formed according to the following scheme of collected points:

- 6-6,5 points – exam grade 6
- 7-7,5 points – exam grade 7
- 8-9 points – exam grade 8
- 9,5-10,5 points – exam grade 9
- 11-12 points – exam grade 10

**IMPORTANT! Once student submits the written response within the prescribed time framework, this will be taken as her/his decision to opt for this mode of taking exam in January term!**

b) Students not opting for taking the exam in the form of pre-exam assignments are required to submit the written essay on one of the chosen topics, which will reflect contents of the lecturing blocks. Those opting for the "essay" form of the exam shall formulate a more precise topic within one of the seven parts of the course. Final versions of the essays are to be submitted to both professors (at [dragicav@ius.bg.ac.rs](mailto:dragicav@ius.bg.ac.rs) and [miodrag@ius.bg.ac.rs](mailto:miodrag@ius.bg.ac.rs)) by January 15, 2016, 12pm. Students shall comply to the following technical rules for writing an essay: Times New Roman, Font 12pt, space 1,5, maximum 3500 words, including footnotes. For General framework of referencing, check MA Thesis Writing Guidelines ([www.pogestei.ius.bg.ac.rs](http://www.pogestei.ius.bg.ac.rs)). If the paper is not rejected for technical reasons, plagiarism or manifestly low quality, it will be defended in the oral part of the exam. Terms for the oral part of the exam will be announced in due time.

**IMPORTANT! Students denied the possibility to orally defend their essays for the aforementioned reasons (plagiarism/low quality) cannot resubmit the same essay in the February exam term!**

**From the February exam term on, all students are required to take the exam in Introduction to the Political System of the EU in the b) form!**