

EUP 408 Radicalism in Europe

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Course Objective

The goal of the course is to introduce students to the study of radicalism in Europe. The course provides a broad overview of the most important forms of radicalism, their ideological backgrounds and their organizational structures. In addition to radical and extremist ideologies, the course also discusses the policy against antidemocratic and violent forms of radicalism.

Course Description

The course gives an overview of the various forms of radicalism. The first seminar describes the concept of radicalism and several interconnected terms. The following seminars focus on different types of radicalism (religious radicalism, right-wing radicalism, left-wing radicalism, ethnic radicalism). The last two seminars analyze the policy against intolerant radicalism.

Course Requirements

1. Students are expected to read the required reading(s) for each seminar. If there are two or three required readings rather than one, students are expected to read all of them.
2. Students are encouraged to actively participate in the seminars by posing questions of clarification or bringing up problems for discussion.
3. Students are expected to write six short position papers (300-600 words each) on six different seminar topics. The papers should include a summary of the main points of the required reading(s), a critique of these readings, questions of clarification, and possible questions for discussion.

To enable the organization of the in-class discussion, papers must have three clearly identified sections:

- 1) a summary section entitled "Summary";
- 2) a critique section entitled "Critique";
- 3) a section containing questions for discussion entitled "Questions".

Papers that do not have this structure and contain different points scattered throughout the text will be rejected and will not count towards the student's grade.

The position papers should be sent via e-mail to the lecturer responsible for the respective seminar. The papers should be submitted no later than 1 p. m. of the day before the seminar for which the paper is written.

4. At the end of the semester students should submit a 10-page long final paper on a topic relevant to the course.
5. There will be a final in-class written exam, consisting of four questions based on the required readings and the discussions in class.

Grading

The final grade will be calculated as a composite evaluation consisting of three parts:

- 1) evaluation on the six position papers
- 2) evaluation on the final paper
- 3) evaluation on the final exam

Students will be awarded 18 points for the submission of six position papers of acceptable quality, in compliance with the required structure of position papers, and in the specified deadline. The points are awarded as a bulk evaluation for the submission of all papers; separate papers do not get points. This means that no points at all will be awarded for the submission of less than six position papers. Late submissions and submission of papers that do not meet the minimal requirements of quality and structure are not acceptable.

Students will be awarded 18 points for the submission of a final paper of acceptable quality.

Each final-exam question gets between 0 and 6 points (max. 24 points overall for the final exam).

The grade will be calculated on the basis of the number of points collected. In order to complete the course, students must collect at least 36 points (60% of the max. points for all parts, i.e. 60 points).

Evaluation:

- 56-60: A
- 51-55: B
- 46-50: C
- 41-45: D
- 36-40: E

0-35: F

Workload:

6 position papers (300-600 words each)

Approximately 600 pages of assigned reading (60 per week)

The literature is available on the Internet or in the course reader.

Class Schedule

Date	Seminar topic	Lecturer	Literature	Position Papers
29. 9.	Introduction to the course; the concept of radicalism and interconnected terms	Mar eš	Merari, A. (1993): <i>Terrorism as a Strategy of Insurgency</i> . Terrorism and Political Violence, Vol. IV., No. 5, pp. 213-251. http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/academic/intrel/research/cstpv/pdf/files/Terrorism%20as%20a%20Strategy.pdf Strmiska, M. (2000): <i>Political Radicalism, Subversion and Terrorist Violence in Democratic Systems</i> . http://www.cepsr.cz/clanek.php?ID=118	
6. 10.	Religious radicalism in Europe I. (islamic radicalism)	Čejka	Archick, K. and col. (2005): <i>Islamic extremism in Europe</i> . FAS. http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/terror/RS22211.pdf The Economist (2004): <i>Islamic radicalism in Europe, After Van Gogh</i> . The Economist Nov 11th http://www.economist.com/world/europe/displayStory.cfm?story_id=3379357 Levitt, M. (2005): <i>Islamic Extremism in Europe. Beyond al-Qaeda: Hamas and Hezbollah in Europe</i> . Washington Institute. http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/documents/42710d7514e2a.pdf Pan, E. (2005): <i>Q & A: Islam and Europe</i> , NY Times , July 14 http://www.nytimes.com/cfr/international/slot1_071405.html?oref=login	
13. 10.	Religious radicalism in Europe II. (jewish, christian and sectarian > radicalism)	Čejka	Council of Europe (1999): <i>Illegal Activities of Sects</i> . http://www.cesnur.org/testi/eur130499_eng.htm Darby, J. (2003): <i>Northern Ireland: The background to the Peace Process</i> . CAIN Web-Service. http://cain.ulst.ac.uk/othelem/index.html Shahak, I., Mezvinsky, N. (1999): <i>Jewish Fundamentalism Within Jewish Society</i> . Alabaster's archive http://www.geocities.com/alabasters_archive/jewish_fundamentalism_society.html	
20.	Radical right	Mar	Björgo, T. (2000): <i>Neo-nazi terrorism and racist</i>	

10.	in Europe I. (fascism, nazism)	eš	<i>youth gang violence</i> . NUPI, http://www.nupi.no/IPS/filestore/ISPAC-article.pdf Griffin, R. (2000): <i>Interregnum or Endgame? Radical Right Thought in the "Post-fascist" Era</i> . The Journal of Political Ideologies, Vol. 5, .No. 2, pp. 163-178 http://www.extremismus.com/texte/eurex2.pdf . Bailer-Galanda, B. (2000): "Revisionism" (1) in Germany and Austria: The Evolution of a Doctrine. http://www.doew.at/information/mitarbeiter/beitraege/revisionism.html	
27. 10.	Radical right in Europe II. (new right, right-wing populism, new anti- semitism and anti-sionism)	Čejk a	Eathwell, R. (2001): The Rebirth of "Extreme Right" in Western Europe". Parliamentary Affairs, Nr. 53, pp. 407-425. http://www.extremismus.com/texte/eurex4.pdf Sacks, J. (2002): <i>A New Antisemitism? Institute for Jewish Policy Research</i> . http://www.axt.org.uk/essays/sacks1.htm Klug, B. (2003): Anti-Zionism is not anti-semitism. Guardian, December 3, http://www.guardian.co.uk/comment/story/0,3604,1098542,00.html	
3. 11.	The Radical Left in Europe I. (Marxism, Communism, and post- Marxism)	Čísa ř	Femia, J. (1999): Marxism and Communism. In: <i>Contemporary Political Ideologies</i> , eds. Roger Eatwell and Anthony Wright. London and New York: Continuum, pp. 104-130. Marx, K., Engels, F. (1978): <i>Manifesto of the Communist Party</i> . In: <i>The Marx-Engels Reader</i> , ed. Robert Tucker. New York, London: W. W. Norton & Company, pp. 473-491.	
10. 11.	Radical Environment alism, Radical Feminism	Čísa ř	Vincent, Andrew. "Feminism." In: <i>Modern Political Ideologies</i> . Oxford and Cambridge: Blackwell, 2000, pp. 172-207. Vincent, Andrew. "Ecologism." In: <i>Modern Political Ideologies</i> . Oxford and Cambridge: Blackwell, 2000, pp. 208-237.	
17. 11.	The Radical Left in Europe II. (Anarchism, Anti- capitalism, and Anti- globalism)	Čísa ř	Jennings, Jeremy. "Anarchism." In: <i>Contemporary Political Ideologies</i> , eds. Roger Eatwell and Anthony Wright. London and New York: Continuum, 1999, pp. 131-151. Graeber, David. "The New Anarchists." <i>New Left Review</i> 13 (2002), pp. 61-73. Heartfield, James. "Capitalism and Anti-Capitalism." <i>Interventions</i> vol. 5, no. 2 (2003), pp. 271-289.	
24. 11.	Ethnic and regional radicalism in Europe	Zeto cha	Strmiska, M. (2001): <i>Identitary Polarisation, Violence and Terror: A Study on Ethnic Terrorism</i> . Středoevropské politické studie, vol 3, Nr. 3 http://www.cepsr.cz/clanek.php?ID=69 Strmiska, Maxmilián (2002): <i>A Study on Conceptualisation of (Ethno)regional Parties</i> .	

			<p>Středoevropské politické studie, Vol. 4, Nr. 2-3 http://www.cepsr.cz/clanek.php?ID=69 Gallagher, T. (2000): <i>Extremism in the Balkan: Perspectives For the New Millenium</i>. In Enhancing the Security of States in a Multipolar World: Focus of Extremism, Georgie C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, pp. 25-32. http://www.marshallcenter.org/site-graphic/lang-en/page-pubs-conf-1/static/xdocs/conf/static/reports/0009-report.pdf</p>	
1. 12.	Policy against radicalism on national level in Europe	Zeto cha	<p>Capoccia, G. (2001): <i>Repression, Incorporation, Lustration, Education: How Democracies React to Their Enemies</i>. http://www.extremismus.com/texte/demo3.pdf Mudde, C. (2003): Liberal Democracies and the Extremist Challenges of the Early 21st Century. http://www.extremismus.com/texte/demo2.htm</p>	
8. 12.	Policy against radicalism on European level	Zeto cha	<p>Merlingen, M., Mudde, C., Sedelmeier, U. (2000): Constitutional Politics and the 'Embedded Acquis Communautaire': The Case of the EU Fourteen Against the Austrian Government. Constitutional Web Papers 4/2000. http://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/SchoolofPoliticsInternationalStudiesandPhilosophy/Research/PaperSeries/ConWEBPapers/PublishedPapers/TheClubdeMadridSeriesonDemocracyandTerrorism http://www.safe-democracy.org/docs/CdM-Series-on-Terrorism-Vol-2.pdf pp. 8-31. Speech, Address by Mr Gijs de Vries, European Union Counter-Terrorism Coordinator, to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to Resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban - New York, 24 June 2005 http://ue.eu.int/uedocs/cmsUpload/06_24_final_1267.pdf</p>	
15. 12.	Written exam	Mar eš		