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Class time: Periods 11-E2 (March 22, 2011 – April 1, 2011)
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EUS 4932/EUS 6932: Comparative Minorities in the EU

Course Description: Often trapped between the competing logics of nation and state, minority groups in Europe have played an important role in the twentieth century's greatest conflicts and tragedies. At the same time, contemporary Europe offers a substantial institutional approach to minority issues.

This course looks at the role of minority groups in Europe from complicated relationship with the global human rights agenda to the competing claims over politics, resources and cultural rights that persist throughout Europe. We will look at the rise of minority rights, the establishment of the European minority rights regime, and the relationship between national minorities and migrants in contemporary Europe. Furthermore, the course will examine minority issues from a comparative perspective to shed light on challenges that face European societies at large.

A Note on Meeting Time: The course runs the whole semester but it will only meet for the period of two weeks (a total of 30 class periods) and it has been scheduled for periods 11-E2 (6:15pm-9:10pm). Dr. Galbreath will be on campus between March 22 and April 1 and his schedule is quite flexible; the Center for European Studies will work with the registered students to come up with the best possible office hours. Students will need to complete the readings in advance.

A Note on Variable Credit: The number of credit varies from 1 to 3 and it will be assigned based on the student preference and the amount of work completed as follows:

- 1 credit = active participation in class and final workshop on March 28, 2011 plus completion of exam covering the assigned readings;
- 2 credits = all of the above and in addition in-class presentation and a short 5-7 page final paper due April 20, 2011 - the last day of the Spring 2011 semester;
- 3 credits = all of the above except final paper will be 20-25 page research paper due April 20, 2011 - the last day of the Spring 2011 semester.

Grading weights (applicable for a 3 credit course)

20% of the final grade comes from active participation in class
20% of the final grade comes from participation in final workshop
20% of the final grade comes from Exam covering the assigned readings
40% of the final grade comes from Research paper

Grading Scale

A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	E
90 or above	87-89	84-86	80-83	77-79	74-76	70-73	67-69	64-66	60-63	57-59	56 or below

For more information on Grades and Grading Policies, please the appropriate undergraduate catalog web page <http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/catalog/policies/regulationgrades.html>.

Students with Disabilities: Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.

Academic Honor: Students are expected to adhere to the UF Student Honor Code. The academic honor system of the University of Florida is based on the premise that each student has the responsibility (1) to uphold the highest standards of academic integrity in the student's own work, (2) to refuse to tolerate violations of academic integrity in the University community and (3) to foster a high sense of integrity and social responsibility on the part of the University community. Students violating the honor code will receive zero (0) points for the assignment or exam in question, and may receive an 'F' for the class.

Lectures & Readings: (The readings are available as direct links hyperlinked below courtesy of University of Florida Smathers and Health Science Center Libraries. **NOTE: The links may not work without UF Libraries permission.**):

Tuesday March 22 - Minorities in Europe: A contemporary view

Required Reading:

- Galbreath, David J. 2006. "From Nationalism to Nation-Building: Latvian Politics and Minority Policy." *Nationalities Papers* 34(4): 383-406.
- Haase, Annegart. 2005. "Between Integration and Exclusion: Ethnic Minorities at the Polish Eastern Border after the First Decade of Transition." *National Identities* 7(2): 213-230.
- Nitzova, Petya. 1997. "Bulgaria: Minorities, democratization, and national sentiments." *Nationalities Papers* 25(4): 729-739.
- Phillips, Deborah. 2010. "Minority Ethnic Segregation, Integration and Citizenship: A European Perspective." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 36(2): 209-225.

Wednesday March 23 - European minority rights agenda

Required Reading:

- Brosig, Malte. 2010. "The Challenge of Implementing Minority Rights in Central Eastern Europe." *Journal of European Integration* 32(4): 393-411.
- Cronin, Bruce. 2002. "Creating Stability in the New Europe: the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities and the Socialization of Risky States." *Security Studies* 12(1): 132-163.
- Jutila, Matti. 2009. "Taming Eastern Nationalism: Tracing the Ideational Background of Double Standards of Post-Cold War Minority Protection." *European Journal of International Relations* 15(4): 627 -651.
- Kontra, Miklos et al. 1999. "The Linguistic Rights of National Minorities." *International Journal on Minority and Group Rights* 6: 281-350.

Thursday March 24 - European Minority Rights Regime

Required Reading:

- Galbreath, David J., and Joanne McEvoy. 2011. *The European Minority Rights Regime: International Organizations, Impact and Influence*. Basingstoke: Palgrave, Chapters 1-4.

Friday March 25 - Minorities and EU Enlargement

Required Reading:

- Hughes, James, and Gwedolyn Sasse. 2003. "Monitoring the Monitors: EU Enlargement Conditionality and Minority Protection in the CEECs." *Journal of Ethnopolitics and Minority Issues in Europe* 1: 1-37.
- Johns, Michael. 2003. "'Do as I say, not as I do': the European Union, Eastern Europe, and Minority Rights." *East European Politics and Societies* 17: 682-699.

- Pridham, Geoffrey. 2002. "EU Enlargement and Consolidating Democracy in Post-Communist States - Formality and Reality." *Journal of Common Market Studies* 40(3): 953-973.
- Schimmelfennig, Frank. 2001. "The Community Trap: Liberal Norms, Rhetorical Action, and the Eastern Enlargement of the European Union." *International Organization* 55(1): 47-80.

Monday March 28 Workshop

Tuesday March 29 - Minorities and Democracy/Human Rights

Required Reading:

- Bellamy, Richard. 2000. "Dealing with Difference: Four Models of Pluralist Politics." *Parliamentary Affairs* 53(1): 198-217.
- Deets, Stephen. 2002. "Reconsidering East European Minority Policy: Liberal Theory and European Norms." *East European Politics and Societies* 16(1): 30-53.
- Mueller, John. 1995. "Minorities and the Democratic Image." *East European Politics and Societies* 9(3): 513-522.
- Smooha, Sammy. 1990. "Minority Status in Ethnic Democracy: the status of the Arab minority in Israel." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 13(3): 389-413.

Wednesday March 30 - Geopolitics of National Minorities

Required Reading:

- Galbreath, David J., and Joanne McEvoy. 2010. "European Integration and the Geopolitics of National Minorities." *Ethnopolitics* 9(3&4): 357-377.
- Jackson Preece, Jennifer. 1997a. "Minority rights in Europe: from Westphalia to Helsinki." *Review of International Studies* 23: 75-92.
- . 1997b. "National Minority Rights vs. State Sovereignty in Europe: Changing Norms in International Relations?." *Nations and Nationalism* 3(3): 345-364.
- Roe, Paul. 2004. "Securitization and Minority Rights: Conditions of Desecuritization." *Security Dialogue* 35(3): 279-294.
- Tesser, Lynn M. 2003. "The Geopolitics of Tolerance: Minority Rights under EU Expansion in East-Central Europe." *East European Politics and Societies* 17(3): 483-532.

Thursday March 31 - Old and New Minorities in Europe

Required Reading:

- Liebich, A. 2008. "How Different is the 'New Europe'? Perspective on States and Minorities." *CEU Political Science Journal* 3: 262-292.
- Sasse, Gwendolyn. 2005. "Securitization or Securing Rights? Exploring the Conceptual Foundations of Policies towards Minorities and Migrants in Europe*." *Journal of Common Market Studies* 43(4): 673-693.
- Sasse, Gwendolyn, and Eiko Thielmann. 2005. "A Research Agenda for the Study of Migrants and Minorities in Europe." *Journal of Common Market Studies* 43(4): 655-671.
- Triandafyllidou, Anna. 2009. "Migrants and ethnic minorities in post-Communist Europe." *Ethnicities* 9(2): 226 -245.

Friday 1 April - Conclusion: What future for minorities in Europe?

Required Reading:

- Cirautas, Arista Maria, and Frank Schimmelfennig. 2010. "Europeanisation Before and After Accession: Conditionality, Legacies and Compliance." *Europe-Asia Studies* 62(3): 421-442.
- Sasse, Gwendolyn. 2008. "The politics of EU - conditionality: the norm of minority protection during and beyond EU - accession." *Journal of European Public Policy* 15(6): 842-860.
- Toggenburg, G. N. 2006. "A Remaining Share or a new part? The Union's Role vis-à-vis Minorities after the Enlargement Decade." *EUI Working Papers* 2006 (15).