

Course title	<b><i>Foreign Affairs of the European Union</i></b>
Credits	6
University	UCM
Language of the course	Spanish, English
Learning outcomes	<p><b>LO2.</b> Through these studies to be able to develop an inter disciplinary (law, politics, economic, history) approach to European external action</p> <p><b>LO3.</b> To be able to reflect on the role of the EU on the global scene <b>LO5.</b> To express themselves in Spanish, a European language besides their mother tongue and English</p> <p><b>LO6.</b> To be immersed in a multi-disciplinary, multi-multilingual and multi-cultural study environment, in order to understand and communicate issues from and across different perspectives; to process knowledge and information in a timely, accurate, and efficient way</p> <p><b>LO7.</b> To acquire analytical skills to conduct research and to present knowledge concerning questions of European Studies</p>
Course objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To understand the formation process, structure and operation of the Common Foreign Policy of the EU.</li> <li>• Training for the understanding of the changes that are taking place in the EU and their interrelation with world politics, especially the analysis of the EEAS.</li> <li>• To facilitate knowledge of access to EU documents in the field of European foreign policy.</li> <li>• To train for the analysis of the operation of the EU foreign policy, considering the theoretical and practical elements of the discipline</li> <li>• To know how to analyze official texts considering the source that emanates from the different institutions: Institution, European Commission, European Council, Council of Foreign Affairs, European Parliament and Court of Justice</li> <li>• The use of specialized bibliography in the field of foreign policy.</li> </ul>
Content	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction. The European Union and its Common Foreign Policy. Terminological issues.</li> <li>2. Genesis and development of the international actor European Union and its Common Foreign Policy. Its historical process.</li> <li>3. The European Union as an international actor in the international society of globalization.</li> <li>4. Explanatory factors of the progressive relevance of the EU in the world and its incidence today</li> <li>5. Global Strategy for EU Foreign and Security Policy</li> <li>6. The regulation of foreign action in the Lisbon Treaty.</li> <li>7. High Representative / Vice-President of the Commission. The Minister of Foreign Affairs</li> <li>8. The European External Action Service.</li> <li>9. The Security Policy and Crisis Management.</li> <li>10. Defense Policy</li> <li>11. Foreign relations with an economic content: trade, development, humanitarian aid. The external dimension of common policies.</li> <li>12. Cross- cutting axes of the external action of the European Union: human rights, trade, development, regionalization and conflict management.</li> <li>13. The external action of the European Union in its immediate surroundings: enlargement and neighborhood.</li> <li>14. Interregional relations: ACP, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Asia.</li> <li>15. The European Union and strategic relations: the United States, Russia, the BRICS and others.</li> <li>16. The European Union in the face of global governance: effective multilateralism and action in international organizations.</li> </ol>

Work format(s)	Teaching will consist of a combination of formats i.e. : lectures, classes taught by guest lecturers, hands-on workshops, responsive teaching classes, case reports, permanent analysis of current affairs through the media Students are expected to be present, demonstrate active participation during contact hours and prepare courses in case of responsive teaching sessions.
Manner of assessment	Written examination (50%) Continuous assessment: written comments, text analysis, conjuncture analysis (50%)
Literature (required/recommended )	Academic bibliography (in several languages), news, video materials, case reports, official EU texts. For this subject, the handling of European normative texts on external action will be essential  Basic bibliography: ALDECOA, F. La diplomacia común europea, Madrid, Marcial Pons, 2010 AUSTERMANN, F, European Union Delegations in EU Foreign Policy, London, Palgrave Macmillan, 2014 BARBÉ, E. (Dir.), La Unión Europea en las relaciones internacionales, Madrid, Tecnos, 2014. BENEYTO, J.M, La UE como actor global: las nuevas dimensiones de la política exterior europea, Madrid, 2011 BINDI, F. (Ed.), The Foreign Policy of the European Union: Assessing Europe's Role in the World, Washington, 2010. BOENING, A. y KREMER, J-F., Global Power Europe, Berlin, 2015. CAMERON, F., An Introduction to European Foreign Policy, London, 2012. GUTIÉRREZ ESPADA, C. y CERVELL HORTAL, M.J. (Dirs.), La Unión Europea como actor global de las relaciones internacionales: retos y problemas seleccionados, Valencia, 2016. SMITH, M., KEUKELEIRE, S., y VANHOONACKER, S. (Eds.), The Diplomatic System of the European Union, Abingdon, 2016. SPENCE, D. y BÁTORA, J. The European External Action Service, London, Palgrave Macmillan, 2015 TOCCI, N., Framing the EU global strategy, Palgrave MacMillan, 2017