



**CENTRE FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES**  
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**PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY**

**SOFTCORE COURSES IN**  
**EUROPEAN STUDIES FOR INTEGRATED STUDENTS**

***SYLLABUS***

## **CFES 201: Introduction to European Union (3 Credit Course)**

### **Course Rationale**

European Union is an association of sovereign states intended to work for common good and as such an interesting experiment in political system. It is highly institutionalized and taken as an example of post-modern state. The Union stands for certain ideals in international politics. It is a successful union and has a lot of lessons to learn for those who aspire for regional integration, cooperation and co-development.

### **Course Content**

- UNIT I** : Political and economic condition of Europe in post-war period – European economic recovery programme – NATO and European Security
- UNIT II** : European Integration and the founding of European Communities
- UNIT III** : Widening of EU - Little Six to EU-27 -
- UNIT IV** : Institutionalisation of the European Union
- UNIT V** : Ideals of European Union in international politics - post-modern state.

### **Reading List:**

Desmond Dinan, *Ever Closer Union - An Introduction to European Integration*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2005.

Pinder, John., *The European Union. A very short introduction*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001.

Holmes, Martin *European Integration. Scope and Limits*, New York, Palgrave, 2001.

Hartmut Elsenhans and Jayaraj Amin(eds.), *The European Union in Transition: Economy, Politics, Society*, Radiant Publishers, New Delhi, 2007.

Stephan Stetter (ed.), *EU Foreign and Interior Policies: Cross-Pillar Politics and the Social Construction of Sovereignty*, Routledge, London and New York, 2007.

John McCormick, *the European Union: A Concise Introduction*, Palgrave Macmillan, London, 2011.

John Van Oudenaren, *Uniting Europe: An Introduction to the European Union*, Rowman Littlefield Publications, Lanham, 2005.

Alex Warleigh, *European Union: The Basics*, Routledge, New York, 2005.

Herman Lelieveldt and Sebastiaan Princen, *The Politics of the European Union*, Cambridge University Press, New York, 2011.

Krzysztof Michalski (ed.), *What Holds Europe Together?*, Central European University Press Budapest, 2006.

Clive Archer, *The European Union*, Routledge, New York, 2008.

Anthony Pagden (ed.), *The Idea of Europe*, Woodrow Wilson Center Press and Cambridge University Press, New York, 2002.

## **CFES 202: Europe and Human Rights (3 Credit Course)**

### **Course Rationale:**

Europe is generally considered as cradle of human rights. On the other hand, the Europeans are known as great violators of human rights of their own people and of the regions which were colonized by them. However, in the post-war period, a genuine effort was made by them to establish a human rights regime with a highly institutionalized and successful enforcement mechanism, which calls for admiration and sincere emulation from people of other regions of the world.

### **Course Content:**

#### **UNIT I** Historical, Religious and Philosophical Foundations of Human Rights

- a) Magna Carta
- b) Bill of Rights and Petition of Rights
- c) Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen
- d) Declaration of the Rights of Women -

#### **UNIT II** Age of Enlightenment - Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen of 1789 – Declaration of the Rights of Woman - French Revolution in Human Rights Perspective-

#### **UNIT III** Council of Europe and the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms - Protocols to the Convention –

#### **UNIT IV** Human Rights factor in the European Foreign Policy

#### **UNIT V** European Human Rights Charter

### **Reading List:**

David Robertson, A Dictionary of Human Rights, Europa Publications, London, 2004.

Cassese, A, et al., European Union The Human Rights Challenge, Baden- Baden, Nomos, 1991.

Clapham, A, Human Rights and the European Community: A Critical Overview, Baden-Baden, Nomos, 1991.

Neuwahl, N and Nijhoff, Rosas, A (eds.), The European Union and Human Rights, The Hague, 1995.

Ralph Beddard, Human Rights and Europe, Grotious Publications Ltd., Cambridge, 1993.

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B.Krishnamurthy and Geetha Ganapathy-Doré (eds.), *European Convention on Human Rights: Sixty Years and Beyond*, New Century Publishers, New Delhi, 2013.

Philip Alston *et al.*, *The EU and Human Rights*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1999.

Michael D. Goldhaber, *A People's History of the European Court of Human Rights*, Rutgers University Press, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and London, 2007.

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