

Subject overview

This subject deals with the methods and theories of security issues. It analyzes the historical background conditions and the significant changes in European security since the end of the Cold War. The subject assesses the strategies of the main European security institutions (OSCE, EU, and NATO) and evaluates current security challenges.

Learning Outcomes

By the completion of this subject students will be able to:

- Develop his or her own approach to European Security in a research paper that deals with concerns, institutions and potential solutions.
- Articulate the benefits and costs of the Euro-Atlantic Alliance.
- Evaluate the legacy of the Cold War. The student will learn to decode NATO and EU documents for their dynamics of inclusion and exclusion.

Assessment overview

- Participation 10% of total assessment
- Midterm 20% of total assessment
- Final exam 30% of total assessment
- Research paper 40% of total assessment

Subject modules

- The OSCE
- NATO Transformed
- A Core Europe
- Central Europe
- The Role of Russia in Europe
- The Baltic Region
- The Mediterranean
- The Balkans
- Open discussion on the book's conclusion.
- The Partnership for Peace
- "Intensified Dialogue" with Ukraine
- NATO's Cooperation with Mediterranean Region
- NATO Transformed?
- The NATO Perspective on the Balkans.
- NATO's Response to Terrorism
- New Security Issues
- Euro-Atlantic Security Options

Required readings

- Park, W. & Wyn Rees, G. (1998). *Rethinking security in post-Cold War Europe*. Addison Wesley Publishing Company.

Questions?

If you have questions about any of the subject summaries, please contact us.