

# EUROPEAN UNION STUDIES - CERTIFICATE

The certificate in European Union studies (CEUS) allows CU Boulder undergraduates in a range of social science and humanities programs to gain skills and understanding around the European Union (EU). The certificate documents a student's expertise in European Union studies, opening opportunities for further study, internships and careers in public, private or nonprofit sectors.

CEUS is housed in the International Affairs Program (IAFS) in the College of Arts and Sciences, and the certificate curriculum is intentionally interdisciplinary. Students admitted into the program will complete coursework with EU content going beyond what they can obtain merely by completing any single major. They will also participate in cocurricular activities to augment their understanding of the development, focus, functioning and future of the EU.

Upon completion of this program, students will have a demonstrated understanding of the European Union; its politics, history, institutions, economics, policies, member states, relations with the US, role in the world and much more.

For more information, visit the program's European Union Studies (<https://www.colorado.edu/iafs/academics/certificates/european-union-studies/>) webpage.

## Requirements

### Application and Admission

For more information and to apply, contact [iafs@colorado.edu](mailto:iafs@colorado.edu) (GEAcertificate@colorado.edu). The application includes an essay describing the applicant's interests and background in EU studies and reasons or motivations for pursuing this certificate.

### Program Requirements

A total of 19 credit hours of coursework is required to complete the certificate. All credit hours must be completed with grades of C- or better and an overall GPA of 3.000. None of the required hours may be taken pass/fail.

In addition to their coursework, CEUS students will attend at least four EU-related lectures and events during their semesters of residency at CU and will submit a brief write-up of the main themes or discussion points of the events to [iafs@colorado.edu](mailto:iafs@colorado.edu).

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Lower-Division Core Requirements</b>		<b>7</b>
It is essential that all students in the EU Studies Certificate program begin with a common framework for the analysis of international institutions and relations as a background for the upper-division coursework in EU studies. All students must therefore complete the following lower-division requirements:		
PSCI 2012	Introduction to Comparative Politics	
IAFS 1000	Global Issues and International Affairs	
<b>Upper-Division Core Requirements</b>		<b>3</b>
PSCI 4302	European Union Politics	
<b>Upper-Division Electives</b>		<b>9</b>

Students must complete at least 9 hours of relevant upper-division coursework, including at least 6 credit hours from outside their major or minor, selected from the list below. Courses not listed here but with a focus on EU issues may be applied to this elective requirement with approval from IAFS. This includes, in particular, courses taken on authorized study abroad program in EU countries.

ECON 4514	Economic History of Europe
FNCE 4060	Special Topics in Finance (certain topics)
GEOG 4892	Geography of Western Europe
GRMN 3150	Issues in German Politics, Literature and Media
GRMN/WGST 4301	Gender, Race and Immigration in Germany and Europe
HIST 4212	The Age of Religious Wars: Reformation Europe, 1500-1648
HIST 4053	
HIST 4233	
HIST 4423	German History 1848-1989: Weimar Republic, Nazism, State Socialism
HIST 4424	
HIST 4442	Europe since 1945
IAFS 3500	French Connections: Contemporary France and America in Historical Context
ITAL 4250	History of Modern Italy
PSCI 3143	Current Affairs in International Relations
PSCI 3172	Democracy and Its Citizens in the US and EU
PSCI 3183	International Law
PSCI 4002	Western European Politics
PSCI 4062	East European Politics
PSCI 4173	International Organizations
PSCI 4213	Europe and the International System
SPAN 3200	Spanish Culture
SPAN 3240	Catalan Culture 1: Nation and Art
SPAN 3250	Catalan Culture 2: Contemporary Trends and Barcelona
SPAN 3230	Discovering Barcelona: Culture and Heritage
SPAN 3270	Barcelona: Understanding Local and Immigrant Cultures

**Total Credit Hours** **19**

Students earn the certificate in European Union studies upon verification by IAFS that they have completed a series of curricular and co-curricular requirements.