

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES 1 AND 2

Jennifer ORTH-VEILLON
ECTS (credits): 2 per semester
Semesters 3, 4, 5 and 6

Language requirements:

B1+ level in English.

Objectives:

The student will be able to demonstrate familiarity with, and conduct an objective analysis of current social, cultural, political, and economic issues in European countries.

Content:

The course will introduce students to current social, cultural, political, and economic issues in European countries. Students will familiarise themselves with different sides, perspectives, and interpretations of these issues and will analyse the wider and long-term consequences of each perspective. The course will be based on texts (newspaper/magazine/journal articles) and video (news reports, documentaries). Students will do pre-reading/watching before each lecture. Students will conduct debates with focus on objectivity and integrity in debating.

Bibliography:

Material will be posted on Moodle.

Assessment method:

At least one « contrôle continu » (continuous assessment) during the semester, and a final assessment during the exam period.

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES: SEMINAR 1 AND 2

Jennifer ORTH-VEILLON
ECTS (credits): 3 per semester
Semesters 3, 4, 5 and 6

Language requirements:

B1+ level in English.

Objectives:

Students will demonstrate the ability to take an objective, balanced stance on current social, cultural, political, and economic issues.
Students will research a contemporary issue and will then conduct a thorough analysis of the different perspectives, implications, and consequences.

Content:

The course will be conducted as a seminar which means that students are expected to be prepared and active. Students will have pre-reading to do before each session and will then present texts and participate actively in discussions during the sessions. Students will produce a longer, in-depth analysis of a contemporary issue which they will present in written form.

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