The Global Challenge of Migration in Europe

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Course level: MA

# Credits (# ECTS Credits): 2 (4) pass-fail

Course e-learning site: http://ceulearning.ceu.edu/

Location: TBA

Schedule: every Friday 11.00-12.40

Office hours:

**Course Description**

This course will explore the internal and external determinants of the recent global migration to Europe. During the semester researchers and experts will share the most important issues in their field with regard to migration and the refugee issue. Students will be introduced to the complex demographic, economic, political, cultural, sociological, anthropological and psychological problems of migration. We will also discuss the political, legal and security aspects of migration and refugee issues and learn about the practical aspects of migration management and the possible means of corporate social responsibility and the role of civic society. The 45-60 minutes lectures will be followed by a group discussion.

Students will be assigned a selection of relevant scholarly literature as background for each lecture. These materials are available at: http://ceulearning.ceu.edu/

**Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

* Understand the various forms of new migration and refugee trends to Europe
* Discuss the context of globalization and migration
* Discuss political, social and cultural conflicts between migrants and the host countries, including the terrorism-related security policy challenges
* Discuss organizational contradictions with regard to national governments and the European Commission, the relationship between the state and the civil sector, and the potential of various civil activities
* discuss the tools of successful social and cultural inclusion of migrants, the strengthening of social solidarity, and the role of collective and corporate social responsibility
* Discuss future trends of migration in Europe

### Course schedule

1. January 10th

Introductory lecture about orientation and goal of the seminar, Antal Örkény, ELTE - CEU

1. January 17th

Demographic nationalism and global migration, Antal Örkény

*Reading:*  Attila Melegh Unequal Exchanges and the Radicalization of Demographic

Nationalism in Hungary, Intersections. EEJSP 2(4): 87-108.

DOI: 10.17356/ieejsp.v2i4.287

1. January 24th

Layered regulation of forced migration: international, European and Hungarian, Boldizsár Nagy, CEU

*Reading:*

Bhuiyan, J.H (eds.) An Introduction to International Refugee Law, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers. 2013, pp. 37 – 72; Boldizsár Nagy: Sharing the Responsibility or Shifting the Focus? The Responses of the EU and the *Visegrad Countries to the Post-2015 Arrival of Migrants and Refugees* Gobal Turkey in Europe Working Paper 17, May 2017 Italian Institute of International Affairs 20 p. <http://www.iai.it/sites/default/files/gte_wp_17.pdf>

1. January 31th

Economic context of migration processes: Trends, Impacts and Policies,

Ágnes Hárs, Senior Research Associate, KOPINT-TÁRKI

*Reading:*

TBA

1. February 7th

Political Implications of the Refugee Crisis in Hungary, Central Europe and the European Union., [István Hegedűs](https://europatarsasag.hu/en/user/34), sociologist, chairman of the Hungarian Europe society

*Reading:*

The Refugee Crisis and the Reactions of the Visegrad Countries,

 <https://www.europatarsasag.hu/hu/node/1673>

1. February 14th

National security challenges of the European refugee crisis, Tamás Csiki, National University of Public service

*Reading:*

Alex P. Schmid: Links between Terrorism and Migration <https://www.icct.nl/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Alex-P.-Schmid-Links-between-Terrorism-and-Migration-1.pdf>

1. February 21th

Challenges and international political practices of long-term refugee integration Montserrat Feixas Vihé, PhD, UNHCR Regional Representative for Central Europe

*Reading:*

[Global Compact on Refugees](https://www.unhcr.org/gcr/GCR_English.pdf). Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, <https://www.unhcr.org/gcr/GCR_English.pdf>

1. February 28th

Some Characteristics of the European Public Opinion on Migrants and Asylum Seekers, Antal Örkény, ELTE – CEU

*Reading:*

György Cs., Örkény A.: “Attitudes Toward Immigrants in Europe. The European Crisis and Xenophobia”, in *Nation and Migration*, forthcoming at the CEU Press in 2020, pp. 110-152

1. March 6th

Moral cosmopolitanism or national self-protection? Dilemmas of contemporary migration in the world, György Csepeli, ELTE

*Reading:*

Miller, D. 2016.Strangers in Our Midst: The Political Philosophy of Immigration Harvard Univ. Press

1. March 13th

Conflicting coexistence of state and civil, Andras Kovats, Menedék – Hungarian Association for Migrants

*Reading*:

Naidoo, Kumi. "The end of blind faith." Civil society and the challenge of accountability, legitimacy and transparency. <http://www.lasociedadcivil.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/the_end_of_blind_faith.pdf>

*Further Readings:*

<https://www.politico.eu/article/hungarys-illiberal-infection-of-the-western-balkans-viktor-orban/>

<https://www.politico.eu/article/hungary-viktor-orban-george-soros-open-society-network-civil-society-is-doing-just-fine/>

1. March 20th

The Refugee Crisis and Grassroots Connective Action in Hungary, Zsófia Nagy, ELTE

*Reading:*

Dessewffy T., Zsófia N.: Born in Facebook: The Refugee Crisis and Grassroots Connective Action in Hungary

1. March 27th

Summary and conclusion, Antal Örkény, ELTE - CEU

### Course Requirements

The course is a pass-fail course, and the students receive credit for attending. Attendance is mandatory. Recommended readings should be read before the lectures. The group discussion after the lecture is based on lectures and literature.