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Course title	Economic Integration and European Economy
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Cycle (<i>L-bachelor, M-master</i>)	L	Course code	S.04.0.025.31	Year	II	Semester	IV
Nr. of credits	6	Language	Fr., engl.	Final assessment form (<i>E – exam, V- verification</i>)			E
Direct contact hours	44	Individual study hours	136	Total hours per semester		180	

Faculty	International Economic Relations (IER)
Speciality	World Economy and International Economic Relations
Chair	IER

Total number of direct contact hours (per semester) (<i>C-lecture, S-seminars, L-laboratory activities, P-project and practical work</i>)				
Total	C	S	L	P
44	30	14		

Formative category of the course (<i>F-fundamental, G-general, S- speciality, U-socio-humanistic, M-orientation towards another field</i>)	S
Category of the course' optionality (<i>O- mandatory/obligatory, A- optional, L- free choice</i>)	O
Maximum number of students that can be enrolled in the course	-

Access Conditions	Mandatory	Knowledge in the fields of World Economy and International economic relations
	Reccommended	World Economy

Objectives	<p>The objectives of the course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To obtain knowledge on the theoretical and practical foundations of international economic integration and the European economy; To familiarize students with the practical application of theories and models of international economic integration; To teach students about the evolution of European integration and EU economy
Learning outcomes	<p>1. <i>Knowledge competences</i>: determining the content, objectives and criteria for classifying economic integration processes, identifying the main prerequisites for initiating the process of economic integration, understanding the main trends in the international and regional integration organizations, understanding the content of the main EU policies;</p>

2. *Research competencies*: assessing the different organisation forms of intergration groups; establishing the role and place of integration blocks in international economic relations institutionalization, determining the impact of EU policies on the development of the European economy, identifying the positive and negative sides of the process of international economic integration, comparative analysis of integration trends in different regions, determine the involvement of Moldova in the processes of economic integration.
3. *Information management skills*: determining areas of activity of regional integration organizations, managing the efficient use of financial and material resources, developing assessment report on EU economic policies implementation and implementation of EU Association Agreement in Moldova.
4. *Leadership skills activities*: analysis of the structure and efficiency of the institutional framework of EU institutiopns, integration of knowledge in new areas or cross to create a diagnosis of the problems discovered in the process of research and formulating solutions for various problems Moldova faces in the process integration.
5. *People managing competences*: developing effective working relationships.
6. *Ethical competencies*: *developing a correct behavior, by showing understanding and respect for the culture and customs of other people.*

Topics and subjects	Direct hours	Inclusily		
		lectur es	Semi nars/ pract ical hour s	Indiv idual work
<p>Content of the course</p> <p>1. Characteristics of international economic integration: concept and approaches 1.1. The concept of economic integration 1.2. Premises and drivers of international economic integration 1.3. Stages of international economic integration 1.4. Effects of international economic integration on participating countries Individual study:The dynamics of the trade creation and diversion effects under international economic integration Further readings: – Dorrucci, E., S. Firpo, M. Fratzscher, and F.P. Mongelli, 2004, The Link between Institutional and Economic Integration: Insights for Latin America from the European Experience, Open economies review, vol. 15, p. 239–260. – Dalimov R.T. Modelling international economic integration: an oscillation theory approach. Trafford, Victoria 2008, 234 p.</p>	3	2	1	15

	<p>2. Theories of economic integration and European construction</p> <p>2.1. Customs union theory</p> <p>2.2. The theory of economic and monetary union</p> <p>2.3. The theory of political union</p> <p>2.4. Theories on the EU construction</p> <p>Individual study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Rosamond, B. (2000), <i>Theories of European Integration</i>. Hampshire: Palgrave Macmillan Ltd. 	3	2	1	15
	<p>3. Fundamentals of European Integration. EU creation</p> <p>3.1. The premises of economic integration in Europe</p> <p>3.2. Stages of EU creation</p> <p>Individual study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The founding fathers of EU – EU Treaties: achievements and challenges 	4	2	2	15
	<p>4. EU institutional framework and decision-making process at EU level</p> <p>4.1. Organization of institutional framework in the European Union</p> <p>4.2. The main EU institutions</p> <p>4.3. Other specialized institutions and bodies in the European institutional framework</p> <p>Individual study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cini, M. and Perez-Solorzano Borrigan, N. (eds.) (2004), <i>European Union Politics</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 	6	4	2	15
	<p>5. The European Union's macroeconomic performance and its place in the global economy</p> <p>5.1. EU economy compared to major world economies</p> <p>5.2. EU's role in international trade and investment</p> <p>5.3. EU's role in humanitarian aid and civil protection globally</p> <p>Individual study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Eilstrup-Sangiovanni, M. (ed.) (2006), <i>Debates on European Integration</i>. Hampshire: Palgrave Macmillan Ltd. – EU's role in multilateral governance and global challenge 	4	2	2	15

	<p>6. The EU regional development and economic and social cohesion 6.1. Cohesion policy and regional development: evolution, objectives and eligibility of regions 6.2. EU policy principles for regional development and social cohesion 6.3. European structural and investment funds 6.4. The new architecture of European Structural and Investment funds and cohesion policy for 2014-2020 Individual study: – Combating climate change in the EU and climate policies – Enterprise and SMEs policies in the EU (group assignment)</p>	5	4	1	15
	<p>7. Common Agricultural Policy 7.1. CAP: reasons, principles, objectives 1.2. Intervention mechanisms under the CAP 1.3. The main steps and reforms of the CAP Individual study: – Pillars of the European Common Agricultural Policy: progress and achievements – Impact of the WTO Agreement on European Agriculture and on the CAP – The CAP and Green Economy</p>	3	2	1	15
	<p>7. EU economy competitiveness. 8.1. EU competition policy 8.2. EU industrial policy Individual study: EU asylum and immigration policy</p>	4	4		8
	<p>9. EU financial integration 9.1. Monetary policy of the EU 9.2 EU budget Individual study: Tax policy and the fight against fraud in the EU</p>	6	4	2	15
	<p>9. UE și restul lumii 9.1. EU trade policy 9.2. European Neighbourhood Policy and EU-Moldova relations Individual study: EU enlargement policy</p>	6	4	2	8
	TOTAL	44	30	14	136
Bibliography	<p>1. CRUDU, Rodica, Integrarea economică și economia Uniunii Europene, Ch.: ASEM, 2015, 393 p., 35 c.a., ISBN 978-9975-75-739-3. 2. Mark Gilbert. European Integration: a Concise History. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers; Revised, Updated ed. Edition, 2011. 292 p. ISBN-</p>				

	<p>13: 978-0742566644</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Simion Certan, Ion Certan. Integrarea economică în Uniunea Europeană. Chișinău, 2013; 4. CRUDU, Rodica, The influence of fiscal policy on income inequality in European Union's member states, Business Systems & Economics, Vol. 5 (1), 2015, Vilnius, p. 46 – 60, 1,05 c.a., ISSN online 2029-8234. 5. CRUDU, R., European integration, industrial growth and structural change. In: Eurasian Studies in Business and Economics: Proceedings of the 19th Eurasian Business and Economics Society Conference, 26-28 May, 2016, Istanbul, Springer International Publishing AG, 2017, p.423-436. ISBN 978-3-319-54111-2 	
Teaching techniques	<p>Organisation forms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face-to-face / groups / individual; <p>Teaching-learning-research-assessment methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content relating, case studies, investigation; <p>Teaching tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tables, Ppt presentations, PC, videoprojector etc. 	
The way of final assesment	<p><i>At the end of the course, the student have to pass a exam (verbal form)</i></p>	
Share in the final mark	Two current tests	30%
	Current mark (formative assessment)	20%
	Individual work	10%
	Final exam	40%
Final exam subjects	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. International economic integration: concept, premises, determinants, implications. 2. Stages of the economic integration process 3. Integration blocks In North America, Latin America, Asia, Africa, Europe 4. The history of European integration. Creation of the European Union 5. Theories of economic integration 6. Theories of European creation (construction) 7. Organization of the institutional framework of the European Union 8. The main EU institutions 9. Europe 2020: pillars, objectives, flagship initiatives 10. Create the CAP: Reasons, Principles, Objectives 11. The main steps and reforms of the CAP 12. Regional Development and Cohesion Policy: Objectives and Principles 13. European Structural and Cohesion Funds in EU Cohesion Policy 14. The role and place of the EU at the global level. 15. The EU economy and its role in the world economy 16. The objectives of the monetary policy of the European Union 17. The monetary policy of the EU at the present stage 18. The EU budget 19. The European Neighborhood Policy 20. Participation of the Republic of Moldova in the processes of regional economic integration and cooperation 21. Perspectives of the Republic of Moldova's Integration into the European Union 	

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