



## COURSE SYLLABUS

### 1. Information about the program

1.1 Higher Education Institution	Babeş-Bolyai University
1.2 Faculty	European Studies
1.3 Department	European Studies and Governance
1.4 Field of study	International Relations and European Studies
1.5 Study level	Bachelor
1.6 Programme of study/ Qualification	International Relations and European Studies

### 2. Information about the discipline

2.1 Module	International and Regional Governance						
2.2 Course holder	Lect. Dr. Elena Grad-Rusu						
2.3 Seminar holder	Lect. Dr. Elena Grad-Rusu						
2.4 Year of study	3	2.5 Semester	6	2.6. Type of assessment <sup>1</sup>	E	2.7 Type of module <sup>2</sup>	OB

### 3. Total estimated time (teaching hours per semester)

3.1 No. of hours per week	4	3.1 of which for	2	3.3 of which for	2
3.4 Total no. of hours in the curriculum	48	3.5 of which for	24	3.6 of which for	24
Time distribution:					Hours
Study by using handbook, reader, bibliography and course notes					20
Additional library/specialised online research, field research					10
Preparation of seminars/laboratories, homework, projects, portfolios and essays					10
Tutoring					2
Examinations					2
Other activities: .....					
3.7 Total no. of hours for individual study					40
3.8 Total no. of hours per semester					100
3.9 No. of ETCS credit points					4

### 4. Prerequisites (where applicable)

4.1 of curriculum	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.2 of competencies	• Good command of the English language

<sup>1</sup> E - exam, ME - multi-term examinations, C - collocutional examination/assessment test

<sup>2</sup> OB - core module, OP - elective module, F - extracurricular module



### 5. Conditions (where applicable)

5.1 For the development of the course	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.2 For the development of the seminar/laboratory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attendance: minimum 75%</li> </ul>

### 6. Specific skills acquired

<b>Professional skills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>C1. Using basic knowledge of the field to explain and interpret main processes and phenomena</b></li> <li><b>C2. Ability to analyze the economic, social and political context for a correct assessment of opportunities and risks in regional development, for understanding, interpretation and explanation of complex systems and processes of regional development at national level, in the European framework</b></li> </ul>
<b>Interdisciplinary skills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CT1. Applying efficient and responsible work strategies, based on principles, norms and the values of the code of professional ethics.</b></li> <li><b>CT2. Critical spirit and constructive ability to approach the issue</b></li> <li><b>CT3. Ability to objective self-assessment, mediation and negotiation, teamwork and stress conditions</b></li> </ul>

### 7. Course objectives (based on list of acquired skills)

7.1 General objective	Familiarizing students with concepts related to regional development issues and understanding the mechanisms of regional development.
7.2 Specific objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To explain the notions of regional development</li> <li>To explain territorial disparities as a basis for regional development</li> <li>To have the ability to develop studies on disparities and assess the dynamics of regional disparities</li> <li>To explain the types of local development at European and national level</li> </ul>

### 8. Contents

8.1 Course	Teaching methods	Observations
1. Introduction and forecasting	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation



2. Region - definition, typology, delimitation. The role of regions from a political, economic, social point of view	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
3. Regions in the international system - cooperation, cohesion, regional competition	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
4. Globalization and internationalization - increasing interdependencies and how they affect regions	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
5. The regional dimension in the European Union - treaties, NUTS system	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
6. Institutions and tools for regional development - principles, regulations	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
7. Regional disparities in the European Union - analysis, cohesion, representation, regional fragmentation	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
8. Regional conflict - within states or between regions at European level	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation



9. Instruments for regional integration - European funds	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
10. Tools for communication and cooperation between regions - the notions of smart city and smart village	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation
11. Regional development in Romania - legal and institutional structure, regional development agencies	Interactive presentation, Heuristic conversation	PPT Presentation



12. Revision and final remarks	Debate	-
<b>Compulsory Bibliography</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Pike A, Rodriguez-Pose A, Tomaney J., <i>Local and Regional Development</i> (2nd Edition). Routledge, 2017.</li><li>2. Regional statistics <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/cache/digpub/regions/">https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/cache/digpub/regions/</a>.</li><li>3. NUTS classification, <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/nuts/background">https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/nuts/background</a>.</li><li>4. Euroregions, <a href="http://www.espaces-transfrontaliers.org/en/resources/territories/euroregions/">http://www.espaces-transfrontaliers.org/en/resources/territories/euroregions/</a>.</li><li>5. Association of European Border Regions, <a href="https://www.aebr.eu/about-us/">https://www.aebr.eu/about-us/</a>.</li><li>6. Interreg A - Cross-border cooperation, <a href="https://www.interregurope.eu">https://www.interregurope.eu</a>.</li><li>7. Interreg B - Transnational cooperation, <a href="https://interreg.eu/strand-of-cooperation/interreg-b-transnational-cooperation/">https://interreg.eu/strand-of-cooperation/interreg-b-transnational-cooperation/</a>.</li><li>8. Interreg C - Interregional cooperation, <a href="https://interreg.eu/strand-of-cooperation/interreg-c-interregional-cooperation/">https://interreg.eu/strand-of-cooperation/interreg-c-interregional-cooperation/</a>.</li><li>9. <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/growth/industry/policy/cluster/observatory_en">https://ec.europa.eu/growth/industry/policy/cluster/observatory_en</a>.</li><li>10. <a href="https://clustero.eu/">https://clustero.eu/</a>.</li><li>11. <a href="https://clustercollaboration.eu/">https://clustercollaboration.eu/</a>.</li><li>12. Law 151/1998.</li><li>13. Law no. 315/2004.</li><li>14. <a href="https://mfe.gov.ro/">https://mfe.gov.ro/</a>.</li><li>15. <a href="https://www.fonduri-ue.ro/">https://www.fonduri-ue.ro/</a>.</li><li>16. <a href="https://www.mlpsda.ro/pages/politicadedezvoltareregionala">https://www.mlpsda.ro/pages/politicadedezvoltareregionala</a>.</li><li>17. Joseph E. Stiglitz - <i>Globalization and Its Discontents</i>, W.W. Norton, Incorporated, 2002.</li><li>18. Hans Westlund, Johan P. Larsson, <i>Handbook of Social Capital and Regional Development</i>.</li><li>19. <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/policy/what/history/">https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/policy/what/history/</a>.</li><li>20. <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/">https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/</a>.</li><li>21. <a href="https://cor.europa.eu/en/">https://cor.europa.eu/en/</a>.</li><li>22. <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/eu-regional-and-urban-development_ro">https://ec.europa.eu/info/eu-regional-and-urban-development_ro</a>.</li><li>23. <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/regional-and-urban-policy">https://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/regional-and-urban-policy</a>.</li></ol>		



8.2 Seminar	Teaching methods	Observations
1. Introduction and requirements		
2. Interdependencies at regional level. Case studies	Individual presentations	
3. Tools and regulations for regional development	Individual presentations	
4. Cohesion vs. fragmentation at European regional level. Case studies	Individual presentations	
5. Regional cooperation. Case studies	Individual presentations	
6. Cooperation between regions. Case studies - 1	Individual presentations	
7. Cooperation between regions. Case studies - 2	Individual presentations	
8. Regional policies - from “focus of public policies” to “focus of public policy-making” –	Individual presentations	
9. The agency of regions: Regions as policy makers	Individual presentations	

10. Regional policy and the question of economic development. Case studies - 1	Individual presentations	
11. Regional policy and the question of economic development. Case studies - 2	Individual presentations	
12. Conclusions	Debate	-



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3. NUTS classification
4. <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/nuts/background>
5. Euroregions
6. <http://www.espaces-transfrontaliers.org/en/resources/territories/euroregions/>
7. Association of European Border Regions
8. <https://www.aebr.eu/about-us/>
17. <https://interreg.eu/strand-of-cooperation/interreg-c-interregional-cooperation/>
18. [https://ec.europa.eu/growth/industry/policy/cluster/observatory\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/growth/industry/policy/cluster/observatory_en)
20. <https://clustercollaboration.eu/>

### 9. The correspondence between the content of the course and the expectations of the academic community, professional associations and representative employers in the field:

The *Regional Development in the European Union* course is a logical complement to the European studies taught at the Faculty of European Studies. Its contents are meant to detail and complete the information on the functioning of the European Union, by introducing into the equation the element of regional development. This discipline is, therefore, closely related to the Management of European Projects, but also to the History of European Integration, contributing to a complex understanding of the structure, organization and functioning of the European Union in the current context. The course enhances their skills in specific political, economic, social, cultural issues and ensures the acquisition of a thorough knowledge of the general and specific features of multilevel governance.





## 10. Assessment

Type of activity	10.1 Assessment criteria	10.2 Assessment methods	10.3 Percentage of the final grade
10.4 Course	Written exam	Accuracy, structure, terminology	50%
10.5 Seminar/Laboratory	Activity and attendance	Continuous evaluation: quality of presentations, answers, projects, group work	40%  + 1 point
10.6 Minimum standard of performance			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attendance requirements met</li><li>• A minimum of 8 bibliographical sources consulted (5 for course, 3 for seminar)</li><li>• Knowledgeable about two subjects out of three at final evaluation</li></ul>			

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