

Description of the Course

**Labor Market, Migration and Socio-economic Development of European Union and Ukraine**

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<b>Typology</b>	Lectures, seminars, case studies, brainstorm.
<b>Description</b>	<p>The course is devoted to study the labor market and migration in the European Union and Ukraine, the role of labor force in economic development, and relations between the EU and Ukraine.</p> <p>European labor market has faced a certain process of change and development, including the trend of free movement of workers that has influenced human resource policies and strategies. The first module of this course focuses on the conceptual basement and practice of labor market and human resource development from a European perspective. Students are introduced with labor market theories and practical labor market situation in Europe and Ukraine.</p> <p>International migration has become a global phenomenon and one of the key components of population change in Europe. Although modern migrations involved most of the world, one of the main destinations for low and highly skilled labor forces. One of the important consequences of international migration is migrant transfers to family members who stayed in the country of origin. In recent years, migrant remittances have become a relatively stable source of funding especially for the economies of developing countries and countries with economies in transition. Statistical data represents that migrant remittances have increased globally, changing the standard of living of the households and affecting the socio-economic situation. It is considered highly important to study the role of migrant remittances and their impact on economic development.</p> <p>Besides regular migration, there are irregular migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers in the EU. Now Europe is experiencing many difficulties because of the migration trend and many member states have reinstated border controls. That is why we need to make deep analysis of dynamics, problems and perspectives of asylum seekers and refugees in the EU and build an understanding of the EU policy towards them. This problem became especially acute after the start of a full-scale war of Russia against Ukraine.</p> <p>An important part of analysis is labor migration between Ukraine and the EU, because Ukraine is one of the largest suppliers of labor in European countries. Mostly Ukrainians emigrate to Italy, Poland, the Czech Republic, and other European countries. At the same time, before the start of a full-scale war of Russia Ukraine has faced the problem of internally displaced persons who amounted hundreds of thousands ones. Some of them have applied for asylum and other forms of legal stay in neighboring countries in Europe. In this emerged situations in Middle East and Ukraine will focus on European national asylum systems, legislative frameworks and procedures, and return and local integration of migrants and refugees. The second module of this course focuses on migrants, refugees, and internally displaced persons.</p> <p>Taking into account the mentioned above, the second part of this course is devoted to the impact of international migration on economic development and labor markets of host countries and countries of origin.</p> <p>Within the module the special attention is also given to the problems of social and economic inclusion of refugees and migrants in the EU countries and Ukraine.</p> <p>Teaching methodology: lectures, seminars, case studies, brainstorm, individual research.</p> <p>The proposed topics for the case studies are: "Ukrainian Migration to Poland: consequences for the socio-economic development of both countries"; "Syrian Migration to the EU: consequences for the national labor markets"; "Moldavian Migration to Ukraine: consequences for the socio-economic development of both countries"; "Outsourcing in Ukraine: benefits and drawbacks".</p> <p>The proposed topic for the brainstorm is "New Ukrainian policy in the national labor market in the conditions of the free visa regime with the EU".</p> <p>Seminar topics to be discussed with the guest experts: courses and consequences of the illegal immigration from Moldova to Ukraine (the expert from the European Union Border Assistance Mission to Moldova and Ukraine will be invited as a guest</p>

	<p>speaker for this seminar); inclusion of migrants and refugees in the Ukrainian labor market (the expert from the economic department of Odessa State Regional Administration will be invited as a guest speaker for this seminar).</p> <p>Drawing on theoretical framework acquired during the lecture and based on practical examples and experience gained during seminars, case studies and brainstorm students will be asked to conduct an individual research. Its results will show how students understood the role of migrants and refugees in the socio-economic development of the host and home countries, what they learned from the lectures seminars, case studies and brainstorm, what gaps and problems they identified in Ukraine and how they would address these problems.</p> <p>Bearing in mind the need to discuss the socio-economic impact of migrants` and refugees` flows also on public, as a part of the course students will be given an opportunity to try to express their thoughts to the general public. This will be done through blog contributions published on the website of the course.</p> <p>The main objectives of the course are: to develop skills of labor market, migration and refugees` flows analysis and apply them to economic situations and government regulation in the EU and Ukraine; to learn and analyze the dynamics and impact of migrant remittance on economic development of Ukraine; to learn the dynamics, problems and perspectives of asylum seekers and refugees in the EU, and to build a vision of the EU policy towards them; to identify the EU policy towards Ukraine, current issues and prospects for economic developments of trade and migration relations between the EU and Ukraine especially in the conditions of a full-scale war of Russia against Ukraine; to build argumentative opinion on the issues of social and economic inclusion of refugees and migrants in the EU countries and Ukraine; to improve writing and presentational skills of students.</p> <p>Assessment of the final grade will be broken down as following: lecture attendance –5%; participation in the seminar discussions – 15%; participation in the case studies – 15%; participation in the brainstorm – 15%; quality of individual research – 30%; final test – 20%.</p>
<p><b>Impact</b></p>	<p>The course "Labour market, migration and socio-economic development of European Union and Ukraine" is new as for Odessa National University as for other Ukrainian Universities.</p> <p>The structure of the course is a combination of lectures, seminars, case studies, brainstorm and students` individual research. Benefiting from this variety of teaching approaches will combine theoretical knowledge and practical skills useful for students` future carriers in different fields.</p> <p>Teaching of the course will stimulate the creation of a network between University faculty, students, local government authorities and European organization representatives in Ukraine.</p> <p>After finishing the course, the student will be able to: demonstrate skills in applying theoretical tools to analyses of the impact of international migration on economic development and labor markets of host countries and countries of origin; demonstrate skills in applying theoretical tools to analyses of the dynamics and impact of migrant remittance on economic development of Ukraine; demonstrate ability to critically reflect over the basic assumptions of different approaches to causes and consequences of migration and refugees` processes for the national socio-economic developments; demonstrate an ability to evaluate sources and assess bias in material used as empirical evidence.</p> <p>Active teaching methods (case studies and brainstorm), that are used during the course, enhance cognitive-practical activities of students, help students to open up as a person, allow students to acquire practical skills in classes.</p> <p>Students also have an opportunity to express their own thoughts on the impact of migration and refugees` flows on the socio-economic development of European Union and Ukraine to the general public through participation in the conferences and round-tables.</p>