

## SYLLABUS

### 1. Information regarding the programme

1.1 Higher education institution	Babeş–Bolyai University, Cluj–Napoca	
1.2 Faculty	Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences	
1.3 Department	Political Science	
1.4 Field of study	International development	
1.5 Study cycle	Graduate	
1.6 Study programme / Qualification	Master	

### 2. Information regarding the discipline

2.1 Name of the discipline (en) (ro)	Migration in the Contemporary World: theories, typologies and current flows						
2.2 Course coordinator	Toma Burean toma.burean@ubbcluj.ro						
2.3 Seminar coordinator	Toma Burean toma.burean@ubbcluj.ro						
2.4. Year of study	1	2.5 Semester	2	2.6. Type of evaluation	E	2.7 Type of discipline	Compulsory
2.8 Code of the discipline	UME1202						

### 3. Total estimated time (hours/semester of didactic activities)

3.1 Hours per week	4	Of which: 3.2 course	2	3.3 seminar/laboratory	2
3.4 Total hours in the curriculum	13 x1 4	Of which: 3.5 course	2x1 4	3.6 seminar/laboratory	2x14
Time allotment: face to face hours 4x14 individual study 9x14 hours					hours
Learning using manual, course support, bibliography, course notes					3x14
Additional documentation (in libraries, on electronic platforms, field documentation)					3x14
Preparation for seminars/labs, homework, papers, portfolios and essays					3x14
Tutorship					
Evaluations					
Other activities: .....					
3.7 Total individual study hours	9x14				
3.8 Total hours per semester	13x14				
3.9 Number of ECTS credits	7				

### 4. Prerequisites (where applicable)

4.1 based on the curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not required</li> </ul>
4.2 based on competences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not required</li> </ul>

### 5. Conditions (where applicable)

5.1 for the course	The notion of plagiarism is defined in accordance with the Department of Political Science policies:
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	<p>(<a href="http://fspac.ubbcluj.ro/resurse/formulare-regulamente/reguli-etice-si-deontologice/">http://fspac.ubbcluj.ro/resurse/formulare-regulamente/reguli-etice-si-deontologice/</a>). Plagiarism and attempted fraud in examination is punishable by 1 to this note and the case is presented to the Dean to take appropriate administrative measures.</p> <p>Final exam fraud is punishable by removal from the exam.</p>
5.2 for the seminar/laboratory	<p>According to article 29(2) from the Babes-Bolyai University Student's status, seminar attendance is mandatory in a proportion of at least 75%. Not complying with this regulation leads to not being accepted to take the final exam, in either the regular session of exams and in retakes. In such cases, the subject will have to be retaken in the next academic year.</p> <p>The grade for the seminar cannot be modified during regular exams or retakes. If the criteria for seminar participation are not met, the student will have to re-enroll in the same subject in the next academic year.</p>

## 6. Accumulated specific competencies

Professional competencies	<p>Migration became a worldwide phenomenon and requires increasing attention, knowledge of, and continuous adaptation of theories to ever-changing immigration processes. The course introduces students with the main concepts and theories used in the study of international migration, as well as it introduces the main current migration processes</p> <p>The implementation of fundamental social and political theories in understanding patterns and challenges of contemporary migratory flows, including issues concerning immigrants' integration and decision-making processes in immigrant nations</p> <p>Conceiving, individual or in a team, of a project on international migration and integration</p> <p>Using the conceptual framework from political science in assessing the relevance and impact of socio-political theories</p> <p>Using the fundamental concepts from sociology and social sciences assessing, describing and evaluating immigration contexts</p> <p>Adequate use of fundamental concepts in the interpretation of concrete socio-political situations</p>
Transversal competencies	<p>Managing information to solve complex tasks in specific context (reception, transmission, processing, storing business information in documents profile)</p>

## 7. Discipline objectives (from the accumulated competencies grid)

7.1 General objective	<p>In the past twenty years literature on migration steeply increased, becoming not just one of the most acute social issue, but also a topic receiving increasing attention from the side of policy makers, academics, and the general public.</p> <p>The course aims a) to introduce the main theories and concepts of migration theory, presenting the field as an interdisciplinary and changing field of inquiry and theory; and b) to present some of the current processes of migration, that substantially differ from that of the previous eras. Therefore, the course is a mix of conceptual articles, empirical case studies and some of the main grand theories of migration. It also aims at debating theories – each theoretical perspective will be accompanied by case studies and papers challenging, and unfolding the limits of different theories; it also uses additional means, such as films and academic debates.</p>
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7.2 Specific objectives	The course will contribute to enhancing analytical skills and critical thinking. Presenting case studies from around the world, it aims at stirring on the one hand a correct understanding of theories and debates for the concrete empirical contexts and nations where the studies were carried out, critically assessing the merits and limits of each theory/theoretical perspective employed.
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## 8. Contents

8.1 Course	Teaching methods	Observations
1. Opening Lecture: New Challenges of Migration	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
2. Globalization of International Migration, Feminization of Migration	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
3. Typologies of Migration	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
4. Classical Theories of Migration and State of the Art Research	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus Deadline for submission of essay proposal
5. Networks of Migration	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
6. The Structuration Thesis	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
7. Culture of Migration	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
8. Repositioning States	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
9. Defining Migrants' Transnationalism	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
10. Open Lecture	Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read and discuss the proposals of their peers

11. Migrants' Assimilation	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
12. Migrants' Incorporation	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
13. Migration and Social Capital	Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read and discuss the proposals of their peers
14. Final review During this meeting, students will have the chance of asking questions about any topic from the class.	Exposure of a set of concepts and theories. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus

#### Mandatory bibliography

Textbook: Castles, S., Miller, J. Mark (2009) *The Age of Migration. International Population Movements in the Modern World*, Palgrave Macmillan

8.2 Seminar / laboratory	Teaching methods	Observations
1. Opening Lecture: New Challenges of Migration	Detailing and illustrating the concepts and theories discussed on the course. Interactive discussion of examples.	Students are required to read the literature indicated in the syllabus
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#### 1: Opening Lecture: New Challenges of Migration

Castles, S. (1993) 'Migration and Minorities in Europe. Perspectives for the 1990s: Eleven Hypotheses,' in Wrench, J. and Solomos, J. (eds.) *Racism and Migration in Western Europe*. Oxford: Berg, pp. 17-34.

Collinson, S. (1993) 'Immigrant and Ethnic Minorities in Europe Today,' in, Collinson, S., *Europe and International Migration*, Pinter Publishers, pp. 80-108.

#### 2: Globalization of International Migration, Feminization of Migration

Phizacklea, A (2000) 'Migration and Globalization. A Feminist Perspective,' *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences*, Vol. 571, pp. 21-38.

Castles, S., Miller, M. (1993) *The Age of Migration. International Population Movement in the Modern World*, pp. 43-73, 78-82, 124-135, 165-167.

#### 3: Typologies of Migration

Ravenstein, E. G. (1889) 'The Laws of Migration', *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society* 52, 196-199.

Castles, Stephen (1993) Migrations and Minorities in Europe. Perspectives for the 1990s: Eleven Hypothesis, in, Wench, John, Solomos, John, *Racism and Migration in Western Europe*, Berg Publishers Ltd, Oxford, Providence, pp. 17-34

#### 4: Classical Theories of Migration and State of the Art Research

Massey, D. S. et al. (1993) 'Theories of international migration: A Review and Appraisal', in *Population and Development Review*, vol. 19, No. 3. pp. 431-466.

Portes, A., DeWind, J. (2004) 'A Cross-Atlantic Dialogue: The Progress of Research and Theory in the Study of International Migration', *International Migration Review*, vol. 38, No.3, 828-851.

#### 5: Networks of Migration

Massey, D. S. (1987) 'Understanding Mexican Migration to the United States', *The American Journal of Sociology*, 92, No.6: 1372-1403.

Krissman, F. (2005) 'Sin Coyote Ni Patrón: Why the "Migrant Network" Fails to Explain International Migration', *International Migration Review*, Vol. 39, Number 1, pp. 4-44.

#### 6: The Structuration Thesis

Goss, J., Lindquist, B. (1995) 'Conceptualizing International Migration: A Structuration Perspective', *International Migration Review* Vol. 29, No.2, pp. 317-351.

Morawska, E. 'Structuring Migration: The Case of Polish Income-Seeking Travelers to the West', *Theory and Society*, Vol. 30, No.1, pp. 47-80.

#### 7: Culture of Migration

Horváth, I. (2008) 'The Culture of migration of the rural Romanian young people', *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 34(5).

Salih, R. (2002) 'Reformulating Tradition and Modernity: Moroccan Migrant Women and the Transnational Division of Ritual Space', *Global Networks*, Vol. 2, No. 3, pp. 219 – 231.

#### 8: Repositioning States

Gamlen, A. (2008) 'The Emigration State and the Modern Geopolitical Imagination,' *Political Geography* 27, 840-856.

Şenai, B. (2011) 'Trans-Kemalism: The Politics of the Turkish State in the Diaspora,' *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, DOI:10.1080/01419870.2011.595807

#### 9: Defining Migrants' Transnationalism

Faist, T. (1999) 'Developing Transnational Social Spaces: The Turkish-German Example,' in Pries, L. (ed.) *Migration and Transnational Social Spaces*, Aldershot: Ashgate, pp. 36-72.

Vertovec, S. (1999) 'Conceiving and Researching Transnationalism,' *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 22:2, pp. 487-462.

#### 10: Open Lecture

Presentation of students' term paper projects

#### 11: Migrants' Assimilation

Alba, R., Nee, V. (1997) 'Rethinking Assimilation Theory for a New Era of Immigration', *International Migration Review*, Vol. 31, No.4, pp. 826-874.

Brubaker, R. (2001) 'The Return of Assimilation? Changing Perspectives on Immigration and its Sequels in France, Germany, and the United States', *Ethnic and Racial Studies* Vol. 24, No.4, pp. 531-548.

#### 12: Migrants' Incorporation

Portes, A., Böröcz, J. (1989) 'Contemporary Immigration: Theoretical Perspectives and Its Determinants and Modes of Incorporation', *International Migration Review*, Vol. 23, No. 3, pp. 606-630.

Wimmer, A. (2004) 'Does ethnicity matter? Everyday group formation in three Swiss immigrant neighbourhoods', *Ethnic and Racial Studies* Vol. 27, No. 1, pp. 1–36

#### 13: Migration and Social Capital

Portes, A., Sensenbrenner, J. (1993) 'Embeddedness and Immigration: Notes on the Social Determinants of Economic Action', *The American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 98, No.6, pp. 1320 – 1350.

Iosifides, T et al. (2007) 'Forms of Social Capital and the Incorporation of Albanian Immigrants in Greece', *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, Vol. 33, No.8, pp. 1343 – 1361.

#### 14: No required reading

9. The corroboration of discipline contents with the expectations of epistemic community representatives, professional associations and representative employers in the study program's corresponding field

The course intends, among others, to develop students' critical thinking and their general understanding of social issues and problems.

#### 10. Evaluation

Type of activity	10.1 Evaluation criteria	10.2 Evaluation methods	10.3 Weight in final mark
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10.4 Course	Evaluation of expert knowledge taught in class. Assessment of exposition and clarity of expression in the term essay	Written exam	60%
10.5 Seminar/laboratory	Work in the seminars	Quality of replies to questions about the topics discussed in seminars. Active presence and informed discussions and a presentation.	40%
10.6 Minimum performance standard			
If the work done by the student does not meet the seminars requirements to promote this discipline it is mandatory to repeat it in the next academic year.			

Date

Course lecturer signature

Seminar assistant signature

10. 09.2023

Date of approval in the Department

Head of department's signature

15.09.2023