

FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions

Why should I take this course?

Unique comparative perspective on regional studies

There are only a few courses dedicated to the comparative regionalism dimension. By enrolling in the course, you will have access to the latest findings and trends related to regional integration in Europe and Eurasia. You will learn more about actors, factors, and dynamics that shape regionalism and integration processes in the EU and former Soviet space.

Leading in-house and regional experts

Our MOOC combines the expertise of both in-house experts from the J. Skytte Institute of Political Studies and partnering experts from the NearEU Jean Monnet Module from EU, candidate countries and Eastern neighbours' academic institutions.

Vibrant and international e-learners' community

By joining the course, you will become a part of a vibrant and international community of e-learners. Our previous MOOCs attracted more than 800 participants from all around the global, which made learning experience engaging and provided diverse perspectives on discussed topics in the course.

How do I register?

All interested participants can register for the course via a direct link [here](#). To register you will have to provide your personal information, including your given name, surname and email address. Please use the email address that you constantly use and check since the course updates and certificate are going to be sent to this email address.

Do I need to have an Estonian ID code or be affiliated with the University of Tartu to be able to register in the course?

The MOOC is open to all interested parties – students and non-students, those affiliated and not affiliated with the University of Tartu. In case you don't have an Estonian ID code, please enter date of birth (dd.mm.yyyy).

Do the lectures take place at a fixed time during the week or are participants free to watch them when it suits them?

Our MOOC is organized as an asynchronous learning activity: we are going to open material on a weekly basis, meaning that participants are going to have an entire week from Monday to Sunday to watch pre-recorded videos. All enrolled in the MOOC participants don't have to login to our course Moodle page at any particular moment - once the material is open, they can engage with it at the time of their convenience, provided they can meet deadlines identified in the course syllabus.

How much time do I need to spend on a weekly basis to complete course assignments?

We expect that on average a participant would spend between 3-5 hours/per week on reading and completing course assignments.

How and when do I get my username and password?

All participants will be transferred to Moodle automatically closer to the start of the course (i.e. around 3-4 days prior to the start of the course). As soon as you are going to be transferred to Moodle, you will receive an automatic email, containing your login credentials (i.e. username and password). If you already have the University of Tartu account on Moodle (and you merged your UT account with the MOOC Moodle account), then you can login with your university credentials.

When do I get access to the course material?

All participants will be transferred to Moodle automatically closer to the start of the course (i.e. around 3-4 days prior to the start of the course). The course content will be opened gradually (on a weekly basis).

Can I transfer credits from this course? How?

Students who want to transfer the credits from the MOOC to your curriculum, should note that credits do not transfer automatically since the course is registered under a continuing education programme. You can transfer the credits under VÕTA or RPL (Recognition of Prior Learning) system. To do that you will have to download an appropriate application form, which you can get from an Academic Affairs Specialist from your Faculty, and enclose the MOOC certificate together with your filled out form. Students coming from the University of Tartu can find necessary information and documents about VÕTA referring to this page <http://www.ut.ee/en/RPL>

Depending on your programme's requirements, you will be able to transfer the course either under optional or directing modules. However, before filling out the form, we highly advise you to consult with your Academic Affairs Specialist to specify all details. If you are a visiting student at the University of Tartu, make sure that you consult with your Academic Affairs Specialist and Programme Director about the fit of the MOOC to your study plan in advance.

What is the format of the course certificate? Is it free of charge?

The course is free of charge. The final course certificate will be issued in a digital format (with an e-signature). To access the course certificate, participants will have to install free [ID-software](#).

I missed the registration deadline, can I still participate in the course?

If you missed the registration deadline but still would like to participate in the course, please contact Anna Beitane, anna.beitane@ut.ee