

CEU Summer course on THE POLITICS OF NATIONALIST MOBILIZATION

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in co-operation with the University of Edinburgh

Application deadline
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The past decade has been marked by the return of explicitly nationalist politics. Politicians on the Left and Right have called for the strengthening of national sovereignty in order to mitigate the impact of global free trade as well as migration. As a result, scholarly interest on nationalist/populist political mobilization has exploded across many disciplines including political science, sociology and international relations.

The course provides an overview of the main topical issues and scholarly perspectives on the politics of nationalist mobilization in the contemporary world. The main aim of the course is to explore the dynamics of nationalist revival in Europe and beyond. Through the comparative analyses of different cases in and outside Europe, the course seeks to investigate the social, political and economic contextual variables that facilitate (and, indeed, hinder) nationalist mobilization. The main objective of the course is to test theories of nationalist contention in comparative analysis in order to find out when, why and how nationalist claims-making succeeds or fails. In order to complement the macro-political dimension of nationalist mobilization, the course will also incorporate bottom-up micro-sociological perspectives (everyday nationhood, national indifference) to investigate how nationalist politics impact (or fail to impact) the everyday life and behavior of citizens.

The course targets advanced MA and PhD students as well as young researchers with interest in contemporary issues related to migration and territorial and supra-territorial governance. The empirical sessions of the summer course are strongly comparative in their scope and multi-disciplinary in their methodology.

For further academic information on the course and on eligibility criteria and funding options please visit the web site at

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