UCLouvain

Ispol2405

2024

Project 1: Preparing and Drafting a Report and a Policy Brief

10.00 credits	15.0 h	Q1	
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Teacher(s)	Reuchamps Min ;
Language :	English
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Learning outcomes	
Evaluation methods	The students are expected to achieve four tasks. Individual report: out of a maximum of 4 points. As first task for this course, each student has to prepare and draft a report on a topic of their choice. A draft version will be presented and discussed. Collective weekly report: out of a maximum of 6 points. Collectively, the students have to define a common topic to weekly report on it, based on open source information. Each student has to contribute to the collective definition of the topic and the editorial line as well as to write one weekly report. Individual policy brief: out of a maximum of 5 points. Each student has to prepare and draft a policy brief on a topic of their choice. The final version will be presented and discussed. Deadlines: to be discussed collectively The following criteria will be used to assess the reports/policy briefs: Respect of the guidelines Formal presentation Structure and reasoning Relevant content Mobilisation of appropriate resources Mobilisation of appropriate theories and/or concepts Presentation and discussion: out of a maximum of 5 points. Each student has to present and discuss their work and others' work in several instances. The final grade for each student will be made of the four grades. If a student is not credited for this course (less than 10 out of a maximum of 20 points), she/he has to do all four tasks again in the second session (even if he/she passed some of the requirements), with possibly some adjustments according to the number of the students taking the second session.
Teaching methods	At the end of this course, the students will be able to: • Prepare and draft a report • Prepare and draft a policy brief • Present and discuss the content and the process of writing such report and policy brief
Content	This course seeks to introduce to the writing of a variety of reports and policy briefs that can be expected from political science graduates.
Inline resources	Examples of reports and policy briefs are available on Moodle.
Other infos	This course demands active student participation and a reading and writing command of English. The use of generative artificial intelligences is prohibited in this course.
Faculty or entity in charge	PSAD

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)							
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes			
Master [120] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M	10		Q.			