CODE **ΒΣ206-Ι**

TITLE **Governance, Institutions and Corruption in SE Europe and the Balkans**

TYPE **ELECTIVE**

CYCLE **1ST**

YEAR OF STUDY: **2ΝD. 4 hours/week**

SEMESTER: **WINTER**

ECTS: **6**

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LEARNING OUTCOMES:

MODE OF DELIVERY: **Face to Face**

PREREQUISITES **-**

CONTENT: **The course focuses on the analysis of crucial concepts of governance, such as the role of institutional performance and quality of government at large, as well as the pathologies/symptoms of institutional malfunctioning, such as corruption. It does so both theoretically and empirically. The first part constitutes an introduction to the concept of governance and the role of institutions in the formation of actors’ preferences and choices thus contributing to variation of systems of governance across time and space. Then, the course concentrates on the analysis of aspects of quality of government, such as the rule of law, corruption, voice and accountability etc., with emphasis on their broader implications for the quality of systems of governance in comparative perspective. The theoretical framework includes new institutionalist approaches (rational choice, historical, sociological), while the empirical part focuses on the analysis of systems of governance of Central-Eastern European countries and the Balkans in comparative perspective.**

Recommended readings/tools/ resources :

Teaching Methods: **Lecture/Seminar**

Assessment:

Language: **English**