

# THE LIBERAL ORDER IN CRISIS:

## Authoritarian, Radical, and Populist Challenges to Democracy in Europe



The current European order seems to be under siege. Its historically established normative foundations are challenged by various radical parties and movements. Liberal democracy, human rights and open markets can no longer be taken for granted but must be justified and defended in the public arena. Some even fear that the historical lesson-learned that peace in Europe and beyond presupposes deep political and legal integration among the EU's member states is giving way to the lure of nationalism and parochialism. How significant are these processes in Europe of today? Are we observing processes that are similar in kind to populist authoritarianism in the US, Russia and Turkey? Is the idea of the open society reaching the end of its political career and is slowly being replaced by a new combination of nationalism and socialism? The summer university addresses these questions with a view to understanding recent political processes in Europe in their broader international and historical context. It will take place in Frankfurt (Oder), directly located at the border to Poland in a unique social and political environment which pinpoints many of the recent challenges of Europe.

ACADEMICS 6 ECTS	SOFT SKILLS
Among the offered classes are <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Radical Right in Europe: A New Wave of Regime Change?</li><li>• The Fall of European Orders from the Roman Empire until Today</li><li>• Comparative Constitutional Populism</li><li>• Concepts of Populism and Radicalism</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intercultural Training</li><li>• Language Crash Courses (German &amp; Polish)</li><li>• Academic Counseling (writing skills, research skills, presentation skills)</li></ul>

### ADDITIONAL PROGRAM

Guest Lectures | Excursion to Berlin | Cruise on the Oder River | Welcome & Farewell Reception

This summer program is designed for **undergraduate students** in European Studies, Global Studies, History, Social Studies, Cultural Studies (more courses to be announced).

European University Viadrina  
Frankfurt (Oder), Germany

**Time period**  
May 30<sup>th</sup> – July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

#### Price overview

- 1.970 € total for students from partner universities
- incl. tax, 2 courses, accommodation, lunches, additional program, soft skills, public transportation in Frankfurt Oder



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application  
DEADLINE  
March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

#### Further details

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