Description of the course:

Objectives of the course: the course is a comprehensive introduction into the contemporary foreign policy of Hungary. Students will get an overview about the history of the Hungarian foreign policy after the regime change until recently. The program - using a chronological approach to the lectures - will focus on the bilateral and multilateral relations of Hungary during the last quarter century with special regard to the NATO and EU integration processes. Challenges faced as EU and NATO member, the institutions and the instruments of the foreign policy as well as the current situation in the Hungarian foreign policy will also be analysed. Taking into consideration the significant number of foreign students in the course the Lecturer will focus on the contemporary European processes too. The language of the course is English.

Competences strengthened by the course:
The students have to get to know the history of the Hungarian Foreign Policy after the regime change. In the end of the semester the students have to be familiar with the main features, events, results and actors of the foreign policy of the Hungarian governments in the period of 1990-2016.

Content of the course:

1. Introduction: structure of the course, thematic, requirements. What does regime change in Central and Eastern Europe in the end of the 1980s mean? Geopolitical context of the regime change.
2. The international context of the regime change in Hungary
7. The foreign policy of Hungary from 2006 to 2010 (under the government of Ferenc Gyurcsány and Gordon Bajnai)
8. The foreign policy of Hungary from 2010 to 2016 (under the government of Viktor Orbán); the institutional background of the Hungarian foreign policy (ministry; diplomatic, consular, cultural and trade missions abroad)
9. The international context of the current Hungarian foreign policy; challenges and answers
10. Summarizing the results of the course, overview of the set of criteria for colloquium.

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**Requirements for passing the course:**
- It is strongly recommended to take part in the lectures and the seminars.
- It is a must to fulfil the writing assessments. The failed assessment can be repeated.
- Students are expected to reproduce the majority (60%) of knowledge delivered by the tutor (grade 3 – 70%, grade 4 – 80%, grade 5 – 90%).
- Students have to be capable to use the knowledge picked up during the lectures convincingly.

**Questions for the oral test (colloquium):**

1.) Please present the international context of the regime change in Central and Eastern Europe.

2.) Please present the main achievements of the Antall-government in the field of foreign policy.

3.) Please define the so called triple priorities (triad) of the Hungarian foreign policy after the regime change.

4.) Please present the history of the V4 and the CEI cooperations.

5.) Please present the main stages of the European Integration process of Hungary from 1990 to 2004.

6.) What are the main steps of the Hungarian security policy from 1990 to 1999?

7.) Please draw up the topic of basic agreements with neighbours (with special attention to the international requirements towards Hungary in this field).

8.) Please present the content of the foreign policy of Hungary during the post-Yugoslav conflict.

9.) Please define the goals of the Hungarian foreign policy in the field of protection of Hungarian minorities abroad since the regime change.

10.) Please assess the consequences of the Ukrainian crisis for the Hungarian foreign policy: challenges and answers.

11.) Please evaluate the foreign policy of Hungary in the post-soviet space (participation in the Eastern Partnership of the EU, cooperation with Russia, Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus).

12.) Please present the foreign policy of Hungary towards Slovakia and Romania after the regime change.
13.) Please draw up the main features of the participation of Hungary in the Common Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union.

14.) Please draw up the institutional background of the Hungarian foreign policy (ministry; diplomatic, consular, cultural and trade missions abroad)

15.) Please present the foreign ministers of Hungary after the regime change until recently. Please characterize their period of activity.

16.) Please present the current relations between Hungary and the global powers.

17.) What were the main changes in the Hungarian foreign policy from 2014 (institutional background, priorities)?

18.) Please explain your views on the challenges and potential answers of the Hungarian foreign policy in our days.

**Literature:**

**Compulsory readings:**

- Géza Jeszenszky: Hungary’s Foreign Policy Dilemmas”, *The Hungarian Quarterly,* 34 (1993 Summer): pp. 3-13.,
- Erzsébet N. Rózsa: Hungary External Relations (www.europeum.org/data/articles/hu-external-relations.pdf)
- http://www.visegradgroup.eu/about/history
- http://www.cei.int/content/25th-anniversary-central-european-initiative
- Andrzej Podraza: Central Europe int he process of European Integration (rss.archives.ceu.hu/archive/00001107/01/89.pdf)
- Linda M. Royer: HUNGARY’S LONG JOURNEY TO NATO AND BEYOND www.bundesheer.at/pdf_pool/publikationen/10_wg9_taf_100.pdf

**Recommended readings (for Students speaking also in Hungarian):**

- **Magyarország helye a 20. századi Európában – Tanulmányok**, Szerkesztette Pritz Pál, Magyar Történelmi Társulat, Budapest, 2002

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