

Name of the course	Field of study and its code	Faculty	Research Department
Public Policy and Administration	Political science 02S	IIRPS	Public Administration and Policy Analysis Center

Study method	Number of credits ECTS	Study method	Number of credits ECTS
Lectures	–	Consultations	1
Individual work	6	Seminars/colloquium	1

Course abstract

Public Policy and Administration is an optional PhD course designed to analyse the content and process of public policy and public administration. It focuses on the theories, approaches and analytical frameworks of public policy and public administration so that PhD students can effectively apply, analyse and synthesise them in their research work.

Main topics:

- Philosophy and public policy/public administration;
- Theories, approaches, analytical frameworks of public policy (market and political approaches, frameworks for the analysis of different stages of public policy, such new theories as the advocacy coalition framework or the punctuated equilibrium framework);
- Theories, approaches, analytical frameworks of public administration (approaches to public administration in theories of the state, traditional and new public management and governance, public administration reforms, geographical models, etc.);
- Public sector economics and specific approaches to public policy analysis/evaluation (theory of change, counterfactual analysis, cost-benefit analysis, strategic analysis of public agencies, etc.).

Forms of study:

1. Written assignments based on the course's main topics or as part of the research/study activities of the centre.
2. Individual work with consulting lecturers.

Assessment strategy:

1. Three scientific assignments or work related to project-based research activities (**75 %**).
2. One teaching assignment in a bachelor's or master's course in public policy and administration (**25 %**).

Course literature

Compulsory readings:

- E. Ongaro, *Philosophy and Public Administration: An Introduction*, 2nd edition, Edward Elgar Publishing, 2020. Ch. M. Weible and P. Sabatier (eds) *Theories of the Policy Process*. 4th edition, Westview Press, 2017.
- E. Ongaro and S. Van Thiel, *The Palgrave Handbook of Public Administration and Management in Europe*, Palgrave Macmillan UK, 2017.
- J. E. Stiglitz and J. K. Rosengard, *Economics of the Public Sector*, 4th edition, W. W. Norton & Company, 2015.
- D. L. Weimer and A. R. Vining, *Policy Analysis: Concepts and Practice*, 6th Edition, Routledge, 2017.

Optional readings:

- B. G. Peters and P. Zittoun (eds.) *Contemporary Approaches to Public Policy: Theories, Controversies and Perspectives*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2016.
- C. Pollitt and G. Bouchaert, *Public Management Reform: A Comparative Analysis - Into The Age of Austerity*. Fourth Edition. Oxford University Press, 2017.
- P. J. Gertler, S. Martinez, P. Premand, L. B. Rawlings and Ch. M. J. Vermeersch, *Impact Evaluation in Practice*, Second Edition. Washington, DC: Inter-American Development Bank and World Bank, 2016.
- OECD, *Government at a Glance 2019*, OECD Publishing, Paris, 2019, <https://doi.org/10.1787/8ccf5c38-en>.
- N. Barr, *The Economics of the Welfare State*, Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2012
- G. King, R. O. Koehane and S. Verba, *Designing Social Inquiry. Scientific inference in qualitative research*, Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1994

Lecturer	Academic rank	Major works published in the last 5 years
Prof. Vitalis Nakrošis	Dr.	<p>V. Nakrošis, J. Šiugždinienė & I. Antanaitė (2020), New development: Between politics and strategic planning—the management of government priorities in Lithuania, <i>Public Money & Management</i>, 40:4, 299-303.</p> <p>Bortkevičiūtė, R., Nakrošis, V., Ar įvyko biurokratijos saulėlydis Lietuvoje? Saulėlydžio komisijų teiktų rekomendacijų poveikis viešojo valdymo politikai 1999–2016 m., <i>Politologija</i>, 4 (92), 2018, 91-131.</p> <p>Nakrošis V., “The Agendas of Public Administration Reforms in Lithuania: Windows of Opportunity in the Period 2004 – 2017”, <i>NISPACEE Journal of Public Administration and Policy</i> XI (1), 2018, p. 91–114.</p> <p>V. Nakrošis, R. Vilpišauskas and E. Barcevičius,</p>

		<p>“Making change happen: policy dynamics in the adoption of major reforms in Lithuania”, <i>Public Policy and Administration</i> 34(4), 2019, p. 431–452.</p> <p>V. Nakrošis, „Pasitikėjimas Lietuvos valstybės ir savivaldybių institucijomis ir įstaigomis: makrolygmens institucinė analizė“, <i>Pasitikėjimas valstybe: prielaidos, iššūkiai, sprendimai</i>, Vilniaus Universiteto leidykla, 2017 m.</p> <p>V. Nakrošis, The quantitative and qualitative analysis of public administration reforms in post-communist countries, <i>Baltic Journal of Political Science</i>, 6, 2017, pp. 7-28.</p> <p>V. Nakrošis, Ž. Martinaitis, A. Hudrea, D. Balica, “Ex post control and steering of government agencies: a comparative analysis of Lithuania and Romania”, <i>Transylvanian Review of Administrative Sciences</i>, 49, 2016, pp. 78-94.</p> <p>R. Mussari, A. E. Tranfaglia, C. Reichard, H. Bjørnå, V. Nakrošis, S. Bankauskaitė Grigaliūnienė, “Design, Trajectories of Reform, and Implementation of Performance Budgeting in Local Governments: A Comparative Study of Germany, Italy, Lithuania, and Norway”, G. Bouckaert, S. Kuhlmann (eds), <i>Local Public Sector Reforms in Times of Crisis: National Trajectories and International Comparisons</i>, Palgrave Macmillan UK, 2016.</p> <p>V. Nakrošis, E. Barcevičius ir R. Vilpišauskas, <i>Kada reformos virsta pokyčiais? Politinis dėmesys, palaikymo koalicijos ir lyderystė A. Kubiliaus Vyriausybės veiklos 2008-2012 m. laikotarpiu</i>, Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 2015 m.</p> <p>Nakrošis V., Barcevičius E., Vilpišauskas R. “Lietuvos Respublikos Vyriausybės veiklos prioritetai: kaip analizuoti jų įgyvendinimo procesą ir rezultatus?” <i>Politologija</i>, 2015/1 (77), 3-48.</p> <p>V. Nakrošis, R. Vilpišauskas and V. Kuokštis. “Fiscal consolidation in Lithuania in the period 2008-2012: from grand ambitions to hectic fire-fighting”. <i>International Review of Administrative Sciences</i>, Vol.81 (3), 2015, 1-</p>
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<p>Assoc. Prof. Žilvinas Martinaitis</p>	<p>Dr.</p>	<p>Martinaitis Ž., Christenko A., Antanavičius J. (2020). “Upskilling, deskilling or polarisation? Evidence on change in skills in Europe”, <i>Work, Employment and Society</i>, September. doi:10.1177/0950017020937934</p> <p>Christenko, A., Martinaitis, Ž., Gaušas, S. (2020). “Specific and general skills: concepts, dimensions, and measurements”. <i>Competition & change</i>, Vol 24(1), pp. 44-69. doi.org/10.1177/1024529419882554</p> <p>Martinaitis, Ž., Christenko, A., & Kraučūnienė, L. (2019). “Evaluationsystems: How do they frame, generate and use evidence?” <i>Evaluation</i>, 25(1), pp. 46–61. https://doi.org/10.1177/1356389018802135</p> <p>Martinaitis Ž. (2018) “European promises: policy options of Eastern partnership policy”, <i>Baltic Journal of European Studies</i>, Vol. 8 (2), pp. 164–181. https://doi.org/10.1515/bjes-2018-0020</p> <p>Secundo, G., Elena-Perez, S., Martinaitis, Ž., Leitner, K. H., (2017) “AnIntellectual Capital framework to measure universities' third mission activities”, <i>Technological Forecasting and Social Change</i>, Vol. 123, pp. 229 – 239. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2016.12.013</p> <p>Paliokaitė A., Martinaitis Ž., Sarpong D. (2016), “Implementing smart specialisation roadmaps in Lithuania: Lost in translation?“, <i>Technological Forecasting and Social Change</i>, Vol. 110, pp. 143-152. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2016.01.005</p> <p>Nakrošis V., Martinaitis Ž., Hudrea A., Balica D. (2016), “Ex post control and steering of Government agencies: a comparative analysis of Lithuania and Romania“, <i>Transylvanian Review of Administrative Sciences</i>, No. 46, pp. 78-94.</p>

		<p>Secundo, G., Elena-Perez, S., Martinaitis, Ž., Leitner, K. H., (2015), “An Intellectual Capital Maturity Model (ICMM) to improve strategic management in European universities: a dynamic approach”, <i>Journal of Intellectual Capital</i>, Vol. 16 (2), pp. 419-442. https://doi.org/10.1108/JIC-06-2014-0072</p> <p>Paliokaitė, A., Martinaitis, Ž., Reimeris, R., (2015), “Foresight methods for smart specialisation strategy development in Lithuania”, <i>Technological Forecasting and Social Change</i>, Vol. 101, pp. 185-199. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2015.04.008</p> <p>Martinaitis, Ž., Gaušas S., Paliokaitė A., (2015), “Cultural and Constitutional Embeddedness of University Autonomy in Lithuania”, in eds. R. V. Turcan, J.E. Reilly, L. Bugaian, <i>(Re)Discovering University Autonomy: The Global Market Paradox of Stakeholder and Educational Values in Higher Education</i>, Palgrave Macmillan.</p>
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