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POLITICAL SCIENCE ■

MSc International Migration and Public Policy

IMPP '27

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Today's meeting



- Welcome & introductions
 - IMPP: Aims & Rationale
 - Programme structure & course choices
 - Next steps
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MEET THE TEAM



Pat McGovern

Director; SO468



Jacob Lypp

EU484



Daniel Movileanu

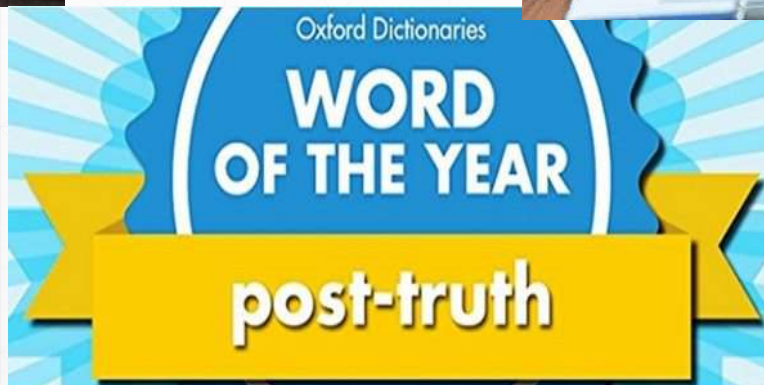
EU4A8



Eiko Thielemann

Deputy Director;
EU494, EU464, EU421

A Very Hot Topic



Academic rigour and policy relevance



- Multidisciplinary and cross-departmental
 - ‘The LSE Way’*
 - Theory and evidence
 - Informed evaluation (with uncertainty)
 - Not ‘your opinion’ (value judgement)
- Treasure difference
- Policy orientation and policy relevance
 - National & global, regional, transnational and even sub-national policies

We're all pro-immigrant... aren't we?

- Should the EU make immigration policy or should it be only at national level?
- Should asylum seekers be allowed to work before their case is heard?
- Should we have a Christmas nativity play at school or a multicultural version?
- Should we allow Muslim women to wear 'the veil'?



IMPP Programme Regulations 2026-27

‘Paper 1’. Choose 2 out of 3 ‘core’ courses (two half units)

EU494 International Migration & Immigration Management (0.5)

EU4A8 Migration From Below: Theories & Lived Experiences of borders (0.5)

SO468 International Migration & Migrant Integration (0.5)

Specialist course options

Paper 2. Choose courses equal to one full unit (migration focused)

Paper 3. Choose one full unit (migration relevant)

Paper 4. Dissertation (10,000 word) (Compulsory)

- EU471 Researching Migration (compulsory)

EU450: Engaging with Europe – Professional Skills

Popular options

Paper 2 ('migration focused')

AB123 Third core course (EU494, EU4A8, SO468)

EU458 Narrating Migration in a Global Europe (0.5)

EU464 International Migration: EU Policies and Politics (0.5)

EU484 Europe's Role in Global Migration Governance (0.5)

SO489 Family and International Migration (0.5)

SO4C4 Global Mobilities: International Migration (0.5)

SP445 Migration and Inequality (0.5)*

[SO4E4](#) Sociology of Ethnoracial Classification and Inequality (NEW)

Paper 3 ('migration relevant')

- Any of the paper 2 options
 - Politics & Policy; Law & Justice (suspend); Society; Political Economy; Methodology*
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Course Option Queues

AT = Autumn (first) term, WT = Winter (second) term, (H) = half unit)

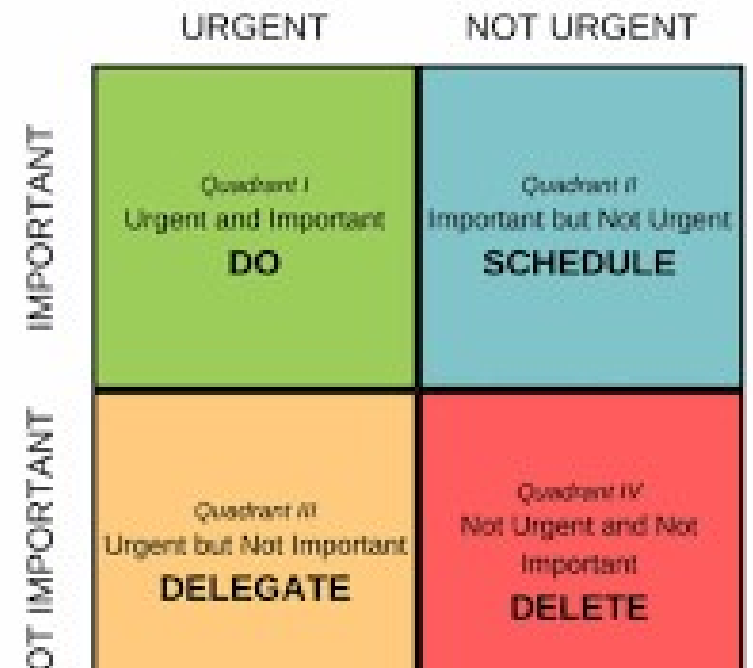
- You ('IMPPers') are prioritised in the queue
 - IMPP core courses (SO468) & (EU494) & (EU4A8);
 - EU471 Researching Migration (exclusive to IMPP)
 - Relevant EI courses: e.g. EU484, EU464, EU453, EU421, etc.
 - Potential bottle necks (i.e. need to have back-up)
 - DV462 Forced Migration and Refugees
 - DV420 Complex Emergencies
 - LL4BA/B Int Law & Movement of Persons Between/ within States (not available)
 - GV4F4 Policy Advice in Theory and Practice
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Research training

- Course offered through IMPP
 - EU471 Researching Migration
 - Course offered by the EI
 - EU410 Interdisciplinary Research Methods (self-enrol on Moodle)*
 - Courses offered by Dept. of Methodology
 - MY400 Fundamentals of Research Design
 - MY421 Qualitative Research Methods
 - MY451: Quantitative Analysis 1
 - MY452: Applied Regression Analysis
 - More info about MY courses [here](#)
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IMPP MSc Dissertation ('Full unit' = 25%)

- On almost any international migration related topic
- Working with your mentor initially
 - Allocation of supervisor in February
 - Expertise (disciplinary/ geographic)
 - LSE experts from other programmes & departments
- *EU471 Researching Migration Workshops*
 - Three lectures
 - Three workshops (present 'work in progress')
 - *Post workshop socials*



Next steps

- **Register on the IMPP Moodle Page**
 - **Meet your academic mentor**
 - Find/elect IMPP
 - 1) Student reps x 2; EI Staff student liaison committee
 - 2) Social reps x 2; self-organized socials
 - EI Informal Meet-up
 - This Friday (25th), 17:00 - 19.00 (George IV, the LSE pub)
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Your questions

