## Fall 2015

## POLITICS OF POST-COMMUNIST EUROPE

PLS 382 M/W 4:30-5:45 p.m. in ASH 2314



## Discover the Baltic countries, Central Europe, and the Balkans!

## Course topics include:

- Communism & its collapse
- Development of democracy
- Influence of "people power"
- Politics of building market economies
- European Union membership

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In this course we compare the political and economic trajectories of countries that used to be part of the communist bloc. Many of these countries are now members of the European Union and NATO or aspire to join these

organizations. In the past 20+ years, people living in these countries have seen communism collapse, new political systems emerge, economies transformed, and new international alliances built. In some cases, people

found themselves in newly independent countries. Join us this fall to discover this fascinating region of the world! **Fulfills World Perspectives requirement.** Prerequisite: PLS 103 or junior standing.



LATVIA 2009



HUNGARY 2011



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