



# EUROPE TODAY

## EURO 301



# The Take Home Exam

# Things to consider when writing your essays



- Read the question carefully
- Is it about pro-con, one position, your opinion?
- Opinion needs to be substantiated with scientific evidence
- Use your best writing skills, edit the texts!
- Use sources introduced by Emily Keller at
- <http://guides.lib.washington.edu/euro301>
- Great surveys/statistical data at Eurobarometer:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/public\\_opinion/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/public_opinion/index_en.htm)
- and Eurostat:  
<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/statistics/themes>



# What we look for is...

- Clarity and efficiency of argument
- Evidence provided
- Sources used
- Writing style
- References cited



# Grading criteria will include

- **Sophistication of analysis:**
  - do you state the main issues related to the question and analyze them by including substantial evidence and examples?
- **Depth of research:**
  - Have you identified additional sources for your argument? I.e. books, articles, statistics surveys



# Grading criteria -2

## Writing:

- Is the flow of your argument clear and coherent?
- Are you using adequate scientific terms? Do you explain them where needed?
- Have you edited your texts properly and quoted accurately?

**Form:** Make sure the essays correspond with our formal requirements.



# The No-No's

- Wikipediazation, using ONLY internet sources
- Using obscure internet sources
- Repetition
- Unsubstantiated points
- Quoting without referencing
- Buying essays online
- Plagiarism (check for definition on website).