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### Asia and Africa politics and history

Academic Year: (2019 / 2020) Review date: 12-04-2018

Department assigned to the subject: Department of Humanities: Geography, Contemporary History and Art

Coordinating teacher:

Type: Electives ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: Semester:

#### COMPETENCES AND SKILLS THAT WILL BE ACQUIRED AND LEARNING RESULTS.

#### PART 1: HISTORY

#### 1. India

- Early civilizations and ancient political entities in the Dekan peninsula
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- The Japanese reconstruction
- 4. Korea and other large Asian countries.
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- The colonial domination in Africa. Causes, development and consequences.
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- African regions before the 20th century. Social and cultural aspects

- The colonial change (1918-1950) and the independent countries
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- Obstacles and Challenges for African Development in the Contemporary Age

#### PART 2. POLITICS

#### Asia Geopolitics.

- Asia as geographical region: general characterization and internal contrasts.
- Population and development. Explanatory Keys to the Recent Economic Emergency in Asia.
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- Main geopolitical tensions and threats.
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% end-of-term-examination: 60 % of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 40