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Latin America history and politics

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Department assigned to the subject: Humanities: History, Geography and Art Department, Social Sciences Department

Coordinating teacher:

Type: Electives ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: Semester:

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

PART 1: HISTORY

- Pre-Columbian America
- 2. The Arrival of the Spaniards to America: Colombian project, the military conquest and the debate s about the "just titles".
- 3. Political, economic, social and cultural organization of the Indies with the Austrians.
- 4. Brazil and the Portuguese colonial model.
- 5. America and the Bourbon Reformism.
- 6. American Independence.
- 7. The North American take-off and development of the new republics.
- 8. Crisis of capitalism, world wars and block policy.
- 9. Democracies, revolutions and dictatorships. The era of neoliberalism and populism.

PART 2: POLITICS

- 1. Construction of the State
- 2. Development strategies
- 3. Globalization, international markets and political economy
- 4. (Re) democratization
- Actors
- 6. Political Institutions
- 7. Elections
- 8. Rule of law, violence and criminality
- 9. Comparison of national political dynamics

% end-of-term-examination: 60

% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals...):