

Academic Year: ( 2020 / 2021 )

Review date: 06-07-2020

Department assigned to the subject: Department of Social Sciences

Coordinating teacher: SIMON COSANO, PABLO

Type: Basic Core ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : 1 Semester :

Branch of knowledge: Social Sciences and Law

**STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE COMPLETED**

Introduction to Politics

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

On having finished the course, students should be competent to:

- analyze basically the current political systems dynamics
- identify the political actors involved in different political processes
- recognize the main political behaviour and cultural issues
- understand the basics of public policy analysis

**DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME**

1. Political culture and political socialization
2. The actors of political system
3. Political and electoral behaviour
4. Politics and Public Policies
5. International and global political dynamics

**LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY**

Teaching time is distributed according to the following training activities:

- Lectures. It includes case studies that illustrate lectures.
- Written exercises on basic reading program and presentations by student teams
- Other training: specific work on a film; book test; newspaper seminar; structured discussions, etc..

**ASSESSMENT SYSTEM**

- Final exam grade: 6 points. It requires to pass final exam to be taken into consideration class grade
- Classe grade: 4 points

**% end-of-term-examination:** 60**% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...):** 40**BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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**ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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