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Evolution and Theory of the State

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

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Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 1 Semester: 2

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

PART 1: THEORY OF THE STATE

- Definitions of the State in the Social Sciences
- 2. State and war
- 3. The extractive capacity of the State
- 4. The coercive capacity of the State
- 5. The redistributive capacity of the State: the Welfare State
- 6. The territorial organization of the State: Federalism
- The size of countries

PART 2: STATE FORMS FROM THE BEGINNINGS OF MODERN STATE TO CONTEMPORANEITY.

- 1. The Beginnings of the Modern State. Conditioning and Basis.
- 2. The Practice of Leviathan and Westphalian States
- Centralization and State Reformism.
- 4. The National State and the Revolutionary Processes. Communism State.
- 5. The First International Organizations and Sovereignty of the States.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Evaluation System:

ES1: FINAL EXAM. It will be assessed global knowledge, abilities and skills acquired throughout the course.

ES2: CONTINOUS ASSESSMENT. It will be evaluated the papers, presentations, discussions, exercises, expositions, practices and workshops done throughout the course.

% end-of-term-examination: 60

% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 40

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- ANDERSON, O. El Estado Absolutista, Siglo XXI, 1998
- FERNÁNDEZ ALBALADEJO, P. Fragmentos de Monarquía, Alianza, 1992
- HESPANHA, A. M., Vísperas del Leviatán: instituciones y poder político, Taurus, 1989
- HOLMES, L., Politics in the communist world, Oxford, 1986