Bachelor Thesis (Politics)

Academic Year: (2021 / 2022) **Review date: 10-05-2018**

Department assigned to the subject: Social Sciences Department

Coordinating teacher: HIDALGO TRENADO, MANUEL

Type: Bachelor Thesis ECTS Credits : 12.0

Year : 5 Semester :

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

Only students formalizing the enrollment of all units pending completion of their studies will be able to enroll in the End of Grade Dissertation

OBJECTIVES

- Students will get to know a political science topic in depth
- They will put into practice the theoretical, methodological and technical and instrumental skills acquired throughout the degree
- They will acquire practical experience in using research methods making, at the same time, use of different sources: bibliographic sources, interviews, statistics, etc.
- They will develop their own style, becoming familiar with strategies for reporting scientific and empirical information in the context of a rigorous academic work
- They will be able to explain why they chose a specific topic, how structured their research, how they reached their conclusions and what were their sources
- They will learn how to communicate the results of a research both verbally and in writing

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

In order to obtain the B.A the student must passes a final research project called TFG.
This final research project will consist in an original scientific and academic paper related to any of the topics already seen and studied by the student along the undergraduate courses.
Whatever the topic the student chooses, it has to include following aspects:

Research Question and Unit of Analysis
Research goals and hypotheses or theoretical assumptions
Motivation
Literature review and state of the art of the topic in the discipline
Historical and Political framework
Principal political actors (if needed)
Research design, method and data
Findings
Conclusions
References
Appendices

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

- General: Taking into account the number of students who meet the requirements to develop the End of Grade Dissertation, students will be grouped according to the topics of their choice. They will receive:
- 3 hours of tutorial in the classroom

- 3 hours of individual tutorial

- Specific: work to be performed by a single student under the supervision of a teacher. Students will receive:
    - At least 6 hours of individual tutorial

In both cases students are expected to work 300 hours

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Since the very first day, the students will have access to the evaluation matrix. It will be provided by their instructor and will be available at Aula Global

The University uses the Turnitin Feedback Studio program within the Aula Global for the delivery of student work. This program compares the originality of the work delivered by each student with millions of electronic resources and detects those parts of the text that are copied and pasted. If the student has correctly made the appointment and the bibliographic reference of the documents he uses as a source, Turnitin will not mark it as plagiarism.