

Contemporary History

Academic Year: (2021 / 2022)

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

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Type: Basic Core ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : 1 Semester : 1

Branch of knowledge: Social Sciences and Law

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

General knowledge of the historical context that will be studied -from 1900 to the present- is recommended to meet this course. To reinforce this knowledge you can review some manual as " El Mundo Actual. Manual de Historia Universal" de Javier Tusell.

OBJECTIVES

The formation of the student in History not only is focused in the acquisition of certain knowledge; also it is necessary this study because the student acquires intellectual habits as they are the critic and synthesis capacity. These capacities are essential to understand and to interpret the past in general and, particularly, the social, political, economic and cultural behaviours of the different social groups.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- I. Contemporary History
- II. The beginning of the 20th century: the total war and the social revolution.
- III. The Great Depression.
- IV. Authoritarianism and right-wing.
- V. Approaching the Second World War
- VI. Cold War, 1945-1990
- VII. The 90s The prelude to another era
- VIII. The new international order

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

1. Skillful classes
Basic knowledge on the world-wide History of the 19 th and 20th century. Two sessions in odd weeks.
2. Practical exercises
Analysis and commentary of: a) Relevant documents like texts, maps or graphs (with a script or guideline provided by the teacher); b) Films (documentary, or fiction more or less contemporary to the facts). Two sessions in even weeks.
3. Student work: Attendance to class and resolution of the practices. Elaboration of a final work on bibliography or literature of that time. Preparation of the subject and final exam

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

-Final exam: 50% of the final mark

-Student work and practices: 50% of the final mark

% end-of-term-examination:	50
% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...):	50

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