

Academic Year: (2023 / 2024)

Review date: 02-02-2023

Department assigned to the subject: Social Sciences Department

Coordinating teacher: SANTIAGO CABALLERO, CARLOS

Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : 1 Semester : 1

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

No previous courses are required.

OBJECTIVES

This course explains students how academic research is carried out. The course will analyse all the aspects and steps required , from choosing a topic to focusing in a question, making hypotheses, theoretical frameworks, obtaining data, choosing methods and presenting the results.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

First part

- Basic concepts or a research project.
- Choosing a topic and making a question.
- Establishing a theoretical framework and hypothesis.
- Data and sources.
- Methods to gather and analyse data.
- Presentation of results.

Second part

- Presentation of fact-checks
- Workshops presenting research projects

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

The course will be based in a first part including mainly theoretical lectures and a second part including workshops where the students will work with the concepts learnt. This second part will occupy most of the times, as this course is mainly a workshop to understand, learn and apply how academic research works.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Being structured as a workshop, attendance to the course is compulsory except in the case of justified absences.

- Attendance and proactive participation: 20%
- Presentation of fact-check: 10%
- Presentation of research project: 20%
- Research Project proposal: 50%

Resit examination will represent 100% of the final grade.

% end-of-term-examination:	0
% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...):	100

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Lago, I. La lógica de la explicación en las ciencias sociales, Alianza, 2008

