

Programa | Course Description 2020/2021

Unidade Curricular | *Course Unit*

História Contemporânea de Portugal | Contemporary History of Portugal

ECTS | *Credits*

6 ECTS

Ciclo de Estudos | *Degree*

1.º Ciclo | Undergraduate

Semestre | *Semester*

1.º Semestre | Autumn Semester

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Língua de ensino | *Language of instruction*

English

Programa (na língua de ensino) | Course description (in the language of instruction)

This course aims to provide an overview of the history of Contemporary Portugal, encompassing a long-time span that begins with the Napoleonian invasion occurred 1807 and ends with the problems and challenges of present-day Portugal.

Lessons follow two intertwined perspectives. Firstly they embark upon a chronological study of the period following the economic, political, and social transformations that had affected Portugal. At the same time they will analyse some figure, places and dates that shaped the way Portuguese understand their Country and generate a new image of Portugal in national and international contexts.

Through a series of comparative and transnational case studies this course will promote the linking of contemporary theoretical questions with historical written and visual sources and will encourage students to use different historical methodologies and historiographies to gain interpretative insights into the comprehension of the Portuguese History and its identity.

Avaliação (na língua de ensino) | Grading and Assessment (in the language of instruction)

This is going to be a challenging course. Student will be encouraged to do some readings prior the classes and to deal with different historical documents to engage an ongoing discussion along the semester.

Because this course will include Erasmus and Portuguese students of all level, Professors will take into consideration the different educational backgrounds and previous knowledge when assessing the final grade

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Students will be evaluated through:

- 1) 20% class attendance and participation.
- 2) 30% One Written Exam
- 3) 50% two shorts essays (1000 words each). Students will choose a topic and a related historical document (text, film, documentary, pictures, and architectural maquette) and three bibliographical references.

Bibliografia (selection) | Bibliography (selection)

DISNEY, Anthony. History of Portugal and the Portuguese Empire, 2 vols, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. 2009.

MARQUES, A.H. Oliveira. History of Portugal. Lisboa: Imprensa Nacional-Casa da Moeda. 1991.

MENESES, Filipe Ribeiro de. Salazar: a political biography. New York : Enigma Books, 2010

PAQUETTE, Gabriel. Imperial Portugal in the Age of Atlantic Revolutions: The Luso-Brazilian World, c. 1770-1850, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013.

PINTO, António Costa. Contemporary Portugal. Politics, society and culture, New York: Columbia University Press, 2003.

TRINDADE, Luís (Ed.). The Making of Modern Portugal. Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing. 2013.