

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences

Course Profile

Course Number : HSS 105	Course Title: History of Modern Europe
Required / Elective : Elective	Pre / Co-requisites : None
Catalog Description: Social and economic world of the Enlightenment. French Revolution and Napoleonic legacy. Industrial Revolution. Rise of new ideologies and economic-political life from 1871-1914. Imperialism. World War I. Russian Revolution. Age of catastrophe. Europe in the interwar years. World War II. American century and Cold War. Collapse of Soviet Bloc.	Textbook/Required Material: Perry et al., <u>Western Civilization: A Brief History</u> , Vol 2
Course Structure / Schedule : (3+0+0) 3 / 5 ECTS	
Extended Description: The course is designed to survey some of the most important developments that have emerged in the history of modern Europe. The aim is to attain basic factual information together with an analytical understanding of European social, political, cultural, and economic history. The main focus is on certain crucial and critical changes and problems that were significantly responsible for shaping modern Europe.	
Design content: none	Computer usage: No particular computer usage required
<p>Course Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grasp the main trends of modern European history. (1, 6, 8, 10) 2. Be able to identify and explain key turning points in the history of modern Europe. (8, 10) 3. Understand why Europe was the center of the best and worst developments of the twentieth century. (1, 6, 10) 4. Be able to explain the Cold War and why it came to an end. (1, 8) <p>(1) Apply analytical and critical thinking skills to contemporary global issues.</p> <p>(6) Analyze how modes of thought are shaped by socio-cultural, historical, political, and economic variables.</p> <p>(8) Summarize and assess current developments in subject areas.</p> <p>(10) Synthesize complex ideas in clear, concise ways.</p>	
Recommended reading :	
Teaching methods: Lecture and class discussions.	
Assessment methods : Midterm and final exams.	
<p>Student workload:</p> <p>Pre-reading25 hrs</p> <p>Lectures45 hrs</p>	

Preparatory reading	30 hrs
Literature review for presentation.....	15 hrs
Team work for presentation	10 hrs
TOTAL	125 hrs

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