**Content**

| Course Code | Course Name | Semester | Theory | Practice | Lab | Credit | ECTS |
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| RI114 | Political History II | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 |

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| Prerequisites | |
| Admission Requirements | |

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| Language of Instruction | French |
| Course Type | Compulsory |
| Course Level | Bachelor Degree |
| Objective | This course focuses on the history of international relations between the years of 1919 and 1991. It examines the seventy-year period from the end of the First World War to the end of the Cold War. Particularly, the course deals main dynamics and developments of international relations throughout the interwar period, the Second World War, the Cold War Periods in a chronological manner.<br><br>The main aim of the course is to enable students to evaluate historical events and developments of the 20th century in a way that can examine cause-effect relationships. |
| Content | Week 1 – Introduction and Background;<br>World and Europe after the 1st World War, Overview of politics, economy, society and culture, Great Depression, Rise and Fall of Democracy, Ideologies in Europe<br>Week 2 – The Road to Second World War<br>Spanish Civil War, Ethiopia Invasion, Austrian Annexation, Rearmament of Germany, Occupation of Czechoslovakia, Appeasement<br>Week 3 – Second World War (1)<br>Invasion of Poland, Formation of Blocs, Beginning of War in Europe, Western European Front, Eastern Front, War in the Pacific<br>Week 4 – Second World War (2)<br>End of the War in Europe, Japanese Surrender, Casualties and War Crimes, Yalta Conference, Potsdam Conference, Peace Accords<br>Week 5 – The Post Second World War World<br>Consequences of Second World War, Economic – Political Outlook, Rise of Superpowers, Divided Europe, United Nations<br><br>Week 6 – Mid Term Exam<br><br>Week 7 – Beggining of Cold War<br>Bipolar - New World Order, Factors Leading to the Cold War,<br>Iron Curtain, Truman Doctrine, Marshall Plan, Berlin Blockade,<br>Week 8 – Cold War Era (1)<br>NATO, Warsaw Pact, Korean War, Rivalry Between Superpowers<br>Week 9 – Cold War Era (2)<br>Arms Race, Nuclear Weapons, Balance of Terror, Space Race,<br>Week 10 – Cold War Era (3)<br>Suez Crisis, Cuban Revolution, Cuban Missile Crisis,<br>Week 11 – Cold War Era (4)<br>Berlin Wall, Prague Spring, Vietnam War<br>Week 12 – Cold War Era (5)<br>Detente Period, SALT Agreements, Third World,<br>Week 13 – Cold War Era (6)<br>End of Detente Period, Afghanistan Invasion, Iran Crisis,<br>Week 14 – The End of the Cold War<br>Rise of Neoliberalism, Economic - Political Outlook,<br>Factors leading to the End of the Cold War, Dissolution of the USSR |
| References | |

**Theory Topics**

| Week | Weekly Contents |
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| 1 | Week 1 – Interwar Period |

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| 2 | Week 2 – The Road to Second World War |
| 3 | Week 3 – Second World War (1) |
| 4 | Week 4 – Second World War (2) |
| 5 | Week 5 – The Post Second World War World |
| 6 | Week 6 – Mid Term Exam / Project |
| 7 | Week 7 – Beggining of Cold War |
| 8 | Week 8 – Cold War Era (1) |
| 9 | Week 9 – Cold War Era (2) |
| 10 | Week 10 – Cold War Era (3) |
| 11 | Week 11 – Cold War Era (4) |
| 12 | Week 12 – Cold War Era (5) |
| 13 | Week 13 – Cold War Era (6) |
| 14 | Week 14 – The End of the Cold War |