Content

Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
CC327		1	2	0	0	2	3

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	French
Course Type	Elective
Course Level	Bachelor Degree
Objective	Acquire and mobilize fundamental knowledge related to French civilization in order to analyze its main historical, political, social, literary, and artistic manifestations.
Content	This course will examine the historical, political, social and cultural development of France from the Middle Ages to the eighteenth century. It will focus on major historical periods and transformations, such as the formation of the French kingdom, the development of absolute monarchy and the Age of Enlightenment.
References	Duby, G. (dir.), Histoire de la France des origines à nos jours. Paris : Larousse, 2009. Duby, G., Mandrou, R., Sirinelli, J.-F., Histoire de la civilisation française. Paris : A. Colin, 1998.

Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents
1	Introduction to French civilization: chronological and methodological landmarks
2	Medieval France: social, political, and economic structures
3	Feudalism and the organization of power in the Middle Ages
4	The gradual strengthening of royal authority (10th–15th centuries)
5	The construction of the monarchical state and early forms of centralization
6	Renaissance and political, social, and cultural transformations (15th–16th centuries)
7	The Wars of Religion and their consequences for the state and society
8	The establishment of absolute monarchy (17th century)
9	Foundations and practices of absolutism under Louis XIV
10	Ancien Régime Society: orders, hierarchies, and social dynamics-1
11	Ancien Régime Society: orders, hierarchies, and social dynamics-2
12	Economic and social transformations in the pre-industrial era
13	Crises and transformations in French society in the 18th century
14	Political and social developments on the eve of the French Revolution