COURSE DETAIL

WORLD HISTORY: THEORY AND METHODOLOGY

Country
Italy

Host Institution
University of Bologna

Program(s)
University of Bologna

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
History

UCEAP Course Number
173

UCEAP Course Suffix
B

UCEAP Official Title
WORLD HISTORY: THEORY AND METHODOLOGY

UCEAP Transcript Title
WORLD HIST THEORY

UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course is part of the Laurea Magistrale program. The course is intended for advanced level students only. Enrollment is by consent of the instructor. At the end of the course unit students have acquired awareness of the concept of universal history centered around Europe and Western Civilization as well as with the ways through which this narrative has been deconstructed by means of alternative and peripheral critical stances. Students are able to understand the relevance of different traditions of critical thought such as cultural Marxism, anti-imperialist and Afro-American thought, cultural and postcolonial studies. At the end of the course students demonstrate a sound theoretical framework within which specific research interests can be developed. The course is divided into two main parts. The first part is devoted to the critical analysis of narratives of the world history from ancient times: Narratives of Universal History: classic, medieval, and early modern patterns; From the Enlightenment philosophy of history to the nineteenth century imperial history; The crisis of the western image of world history. The second part focuses on socialist and communist internationalism as actors and networks of nineteenth and twentieth century world history and particularly focuses on the first phase, the years of Comintern (1919-1943). The second part focuses on the following topics: The First and the Second Internationals: revolutionary strategies, universalism and the colonial question; First World War, Soviet Revolution and the birth of the Comintern in 1919; Perspectives of internationalism after the First World War: Wilson vs Lenin; Revolutionary perspectives in the peripheries; Space, time, culture rethinking the socialist transition; Race, language, translation and socialist transition; The Second World War and beyond: communism as an actor of twentieth century globalization.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
81947

Host Institution Course Title WORLD HISTORY: THEORY AND METHODOLOGY (LM)
Host Institution Course Details
Host Institution Campus STUDI HUMANISTICI
Host Institution Faculty
Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department Scienze Storiche e Orientalistiche
Course Last Reviewed

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