

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Modern Central European History: The Bohemian Lands - 39261

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HU Credits: 2

<u>Degree/Cycle:</u> 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: History

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

<u>Teaching Languages:</u> Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

The recitation examines the history of the Bohemians Lands in the 19th and 20th centuries – from the 1848 Spring of Nations to the aftermath of the 1989 Velvet Revolution. In doing so, special attention is given to political, social and cultural developments as well as to the relationships between local Czechs, Germans, and Jews.

Course/Module aims:

The goal of the recitation is to introduce students to major issues of modern Central European history: modernization, democratization, nationalism and the rise of minority rights. In addition, the course aims to familiarize students with key events of Central European history in the 19th and 20th centuries: the revolutions of 1848-49, the disintegration of the Habsburg empire and the establishment of the Czechoslovak nation state in 1918, the 1938 Munich Agreement, the Holocaust in Central Europe, the expulsion of Germans after 1945, the 1968 Prague Spring, and the 1989 Velvet Revolution.

<u>Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be</u> able to:

- explain major issues of modern Central European history,
- describe key events in Central Europe from approx. 1848 to 1989,
- integrate into the discussion elements from politics, society, and culture,
- analyze primary and secondary sources.

<u>Attendance requirements(%):</u>

100%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lecture and in-class discussion

Course/Module Content:

For content and program of the course, see the course's Moodle site.

Required Reading:

For the required reading material, see the course's Moodle site.

<u>Additional Reading Material:</u>

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 % Presentation 0 % Participation in Tutorials 0 % Project work 70 % Assignments 30 % Reports 0 % Research project 0 % Quizzes 0 % Other 0 %

Additional information:

- Students are required to submit two short papers during the semester (30%) and a final paper at the end of the semester (70%).
- Students can improve the grade of one mid-term paper by submitting a third short paper.