

SYLLABUS

SUBJECT: HISTORY OF CULTURE

TEACHER: Agnieszka Huzarska, MA

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course offers the serious student the opportunity to explore, in depth, the cultural history of Europe from ancient times to the present. Through readings, research, slides and videos, students will be provided with some of the major landmarks in European cultural and intellectual history.

ECTS: 6

LEARNING OUTCOMES

To provide students with:

- understanding of the origins of Europe with reference to the development of civilization
- understanding the historical and cultural challenges in Europe in the past
- a better understanding of students' own countries in a global context
- the ability define and understand the most important points in cultural history in Europe
- the ability to recognize that some differences among people have their origin in cultural history
- understanding how religion influenced the development of human civilization
- the ability to build an understanding of the cultural and social development of human civilization
- the ability to interpret past events through the social, cultural, and political approach

GRADING POLICY

Grades will be based on a total number of points earned.

1. Project work
2. Argumentative Essay
3. Mid-term test
4. Class attendance and participation
5. Final exam

TIMETABLE

Two hours of lecture and two hours of workshop a week

TEXTBOOK AND REQUIRED MATERIALS

Peter Rietbergen, Europe: A Cultural History, Routledge, 1998

T.G. Ashplant, Gerry Smith, Explorations in Cultural History, Pluto Press, 2001

Davis, N. Europe. A History, Harper Perennial, 1998

Kagan, Donald, Steven Ozment, and Frank M. Turner. The Western Heritage since 1300. Saddle River, New Jersey: Pearson- Prentice-Hall, 2008

Zach, B, Botero-Lowry A., European History, the book available on the Internet http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/3/38/European_History.pdf (licensed 2007)

McKay, J.P., Hill, B.D. and Buckler, J. A History of Western Society, Houghton Mifflin Company, 2003

PREREQUISITES: general knowledge of European history