



Bachelor's courses Faculty of Humanities

VU University Amsterdam - Student- & Onderwijszaken - Exchange programme Vrije Universiteit - 2018-2019

World History 1800-present

Course code	L_GABAGES129 ()
Period	Period 5
Credits	6.0
Language of tuition	English
Faculty	Faculteit der Geesteswetenschappen
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Teaching method(s)	Lecture, Seminar
Level	100

Course objective

To understand the complexity of globalization processes from approximately 1.800 to the present. To acquiring knowledge from an Engels handbook. To acquire knowledge of the Global History themes in historical research. Doing research on a specific topic based on scientific literature.

Course content

The discipline of Global History (GH) is a response to increasing awareness of the growing interconnectedness of the various regions of the world, as a result of the circulation of people, goods and ideas. GH has in the last two decades developed into a strong international, dynamic and productive discipline in the field of history research and education. The focus of this discipline is the deep underlying material and sociocultural structural changes, which shaped the human experience. It is a form of Meta History; a historical narrative that puts events, phenomena and processes in a broad context. Characteristic of this historical approach is that it does not focus specifically on civilizations and nation states, but on processes, whereby thematic research is focused on comparisons and differences within and between the regions of the world. GH is non-Eurocentric, because all units of study are treated equally, as such non-Western concepts and local knowledge are included.

Form of tuition

Lectures, handbook training, discussion, and assignments.

Type of assessment

The written exam is only a part of the final grade for this course. The other part is the paper. The two partial grades do not compensate each other. For both a minimum of 6.0 is required. The written examination (50%) and the paper (50%) of the final grade. For both a minimum of 6.0 is required.

Course reading

The handbook: "Worlds Together, Worlds Apart. A History of the World." Third Edition, volume two. From 1000 CE to the Present. Robert Tignor, e.a, New York, London (2011), chapters 17 -21 and the Epilogue; scientific articles connect to the theme of each chapter of the handbook, a list of which will be published on Canvas. Literature for writing a paper is depending on the individual research subject.

Entry requirements

The course World History 500-1800 is obligatory.

Target group

First year bachelor Dutch and international history students, who did the course World History 500-1800.