

Course description

Course title	History of Early Modern Europe
Credits	6 ECTS
University	Universidad Complutense de Madrid (UCM)
Learning outcomes	<p>LO1. Understand the different disciplinary approaches to European Studies, including the way in which the different disciplines interact and enrich each other, so that they can grasp the richness of disciplinary perspectives on Europe and reflect on the added-value of multidisciplinary knowledge to understand the History of Early Modern Europe.</p> <p>LO2. Have multidisciplinary knowledge on the fundamental aspects and values of the History of Early Modern Europe as well as of European states and societies, which allows students to grasp the multi-dimensional issues, interests and ideas that are necessary to understand Europe as a political, economic, cultural and societal process in past and present times.</p> <p>LO3. Be able to reflect on the role of Europe in the world, not the least by being equipped to grasp the complex multi-dimensional historical and contemporary relations between Europe and other countries, societies, and regions and/or continents.</p>
Course objectives	<p>At the end of this course students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify the different elements defining the early modern period in order to contextualize the historical development that shaped the early modern societies. 2. Manage the specific historiographical vocabulary for the analysis of the early modern period, as well as the helpful vocabulary of other auxiliary and related disciplines. 3. Extract information regarding the early modern period, displayed by different means (written, aural, visual, and digital format), classifying it and connecting it in an adequate way. 4. Compare the main changing processes happened in the different societies of the World during the early modern period. 5. Plan and elaborate different academic essays in which the most relevant aspects regarding a specific subject on the early modern world societies are studied and synthesized. 6. Present orally the content of an essay, using ICTs. 7. Show a critical view of the issues discussed in the course, in order to develop analytical strategies and the understanding historical past, as well as of the present-day world societies.

Content	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Transformation of European society from the end of feudalism to a global economy 2. Forms of States, Government and Political Culture in a dynastic Europe 3. Confessionalization, tolerance and secularization in a divided Europe 4. Republic of Letters, New Science, and education 5. New ways of European Culture from Renaissance Humanism to the Enlightenment 6. Early Modern European Wars: military history, professionalization, technology, financing, and construction of memory 7. The new Art and practices of European Diplomacy
Work format(s)	<p>Lecture</p> <p>Teaching will consist of a combination of formats i.e. : lectures, hands-on workshops, responsive teaching classes, case reports</p>
Manner of assessment	<p>Oral examination, written examination</p> <p>20% of the examination will be in oral format, 80% in written format. For the multiple choice questions correction for guessing will be applied</p>
Literature (required/recommended)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BÉLY, Lucien: <i>L'art de la paix en Europe. Naissance de la diplomatie moderne XVIe-XVIIIe siècle</i>, Paris, PUF, 2007. • BLACK, Jeremy: <i>La Europa del siglo XVIII: 1700-1789</i>, Madrid, Akal, 1997. • FLORISTÁN, Alfredo (coord.): <i>Historia Moderna Universal</i>, Barcelona, Ariel, 2009. • MACKENNEY, Richard: <i>La Europa del siglo XVI: expansión y conflicto</i>, Madrid, Akal, 1996. • MARGOLIN, Jean-C. (ed.): <i>Los inicios de la Edad Moderna</i>, Madrid, Akal, 1992. • MUNCK, Thomas: <i>La Europa del siglo XVII, 1598-1700: Estados, conflictos y orden social de Europa</i>, Madrid, Akal, 1994. • MUNCK, Thomas: <i>Historia social de la Ilustración</i>, Barcelona, Crítica, 2001. • PÉREZ SAMPER, M.ª Ángeles: <i>Las Monarquías del Absolutismo Ilustrado</i>, Madrid, Síntesis, 1999. • RIVERO RODRÍGUEZ, Manuel: <i>Diplomacia y relaciones exteriores en la Edad Moderna. De la cristiandad al sistema europeo, 1453-1794</i>, Madrid, Alianza Editorial, 2000. • VITTORIO, Antonio di (coord.): <i>Historia económica de Europa. Siglos XV-XX</i>. Barcelona, Crítica, 2007.