

STUDY SUBJECT PROGRAMME

Subject code	Subject group	Credits	Subject certified	Subject certification valid until	Reg. No.
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Course type (compulsory or optional)	Optional
Course level (study cycle)	Master
Semester the course is delivered	Spring
Study form (face-to-face or distant)	Face-to-face

Title

POSKOLONIALIZMAS VIDURIO IR RYTŲ EUROPOJE

Title in English

POSTCOLONIALITIES IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

Subject annotation in English

This course aims to give students knowledge about the key concepts in colonial and postcolonial studies, specifics of colonial and postcolonial societies; discursive forms of imperial oppression and domination such as language, culture, education etc. It will explain complex epistemic relations between the West and the Orient; also illuminate some colonial aspects of the Soviet modernization, give students the competence for analyzing the postcolonial nature of emerging post Soviet national independencies in terms of literature, history, identity, nationalism, narratives of emancipation and resistance.

Necessary background knowledge for the study of the subject

BA in Social Sciences.

Study outcomes

After taking the course, students will be able to:

- Understand the key concepts of (post) colonial studies and specifics of (post) colonial societies;
- Understand the cultural, economic, and political aspects of colonization and decolonization;
- Understand the complex relationship between language, culture, history, identity, and domination;
- Recognize and explain the attempts of colonization within the expansion of Soviet union;
- Recognize and explain the postcolonial condition within the post Soviet context.

Subject contents

The course will focus on the introduce the key concepts of colonial and postcolonial studies. It will illuminate the specifics of colonial and postcolonial societies, the troubled identities, de stabilized category of Self and seeing itself trough the other's gaze. Students will have to discuss the concepts of europocentrism, imperialism, orientalism, and how these concepts work through varying forms of discursive domination: language, representation, education, etc. The content of the course will cover the processes of colonization and de colonization, with their political, economic, historical and cultural aspects. Postcolonial identity: hybridity, mimicry and mimesis – will be debated. The colonial and postcolonial theories will be examined in the context of Central and Eastern Europe: Soviet colonization discussed as the case of Eastern Europe; post Soviet societies investigated in the post colonial context: hybrid identities, fantasies of deliberation, discourses of resistance, etc.

Study hours

Lectures 30 hours, team work 15 hours, individual work 75 hours.

Evaluation of study results

Mid term exam – 25%

Essay – 25%

Exam – 50%

Literature

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