

Information sheet for the course
Situación Política y Económica de Latinoamérica

University: <i>Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín</i>	
Faculty: <i>Department of Political Science</i>	
Course unit code: <i>PLTPV12</i>	Course unit title: <i>Situación Política y Económica de Latinoamérica</i>
Type of course unit: <i>compulsorily optional</i>	
Planned types, learning activities and teaching methods:	
<i>Lecture: none</i>	
<i>Seminar: 2 hours weekly/26 hours per semester of study; face to face</i>	
<i>Teaching methods: explanatory-participatory, heuristic and scholastic-exploratory</i>	
Number of credits: <i>3</i>	
Recommended semester: <i>the 3rd semester in the 2nd year (full-time)</i> <i>the 4th semester in the 2nd year (part-time)</i>	
Degree of study: <i>II. (Master´s)</i>	
Course prerequisites: <i>none</i>	
Assessment methods:	
<i>Active attending seminars (individual preparations for discussions pursuant to a lecturer and joining the discussion), a final seminar paper, an oral examination.</i>	
<i>Continuous assessment:</i>	
<i>active participation (2 permitted non-attendances) – 20 %, the seminar paper – 30 %;</i>	
<i>oral examination: 50 %;</i>	
<i>final assessment at oral exam: 100 %.</i>	
<i>Successful completion of the course requires minimum 51 % points.</i>	
Learning outcomes of the course unit:	
<i>Following the course a student achieved basic knowledge of some countries of the Latin American region and of social-political development from both its historical perspective and the present time. He is able to adequately analyze the contemporary social-political situation in a given region pursuant to influence of social-historical context on culture and identity of this region, its division into social-economic sub-regions, from an interdisciplinary view a student will be able to identify and analyze its fundamental social-economic problems, its position in the global system, and present tendencies of political thought, its origin and reasons. So a student developed or promoted evolution of critical analysis and thought on treated themes.</i>	
Course contents:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Introduction to the course</i> <i>2. Brief history of pre-Columbian America and its discovering in social-political context of Europe</i> <i>3. Origin of states and economic-political situation of Latin America (LA) to the WW II.</i> <i>4. Political situation of the LA region after the WW II and in the period of the Cold War</i> <i>5. Cultural diversity of LA and problems of identity</i> <i>6. Political systems in the region and characteristics of single states I.</i> <i>7. Political systems in the region and characteristics of single states II.</i> <i>8. Political systems in the region and characteristics of single states III.</i> <i>9. Paramilitary and terrorist´s groups and revolutionary movement</i> <i>10. Political and economic integration of the LA region and mutual relations</i> <i>11. Contemporary social-economic and political situation of the LA region and its position in the international political system</i> <i>12. The EU and its relations with LA</i> 	

13. Oral examination

Recommended of required reading:

KLÍMA, J.: *Zrození Latinské Ameriky. Simón Bolívar a jeho doba.* Nakl. Libri. STIRLING, Stuart, 2007. Pizzaro. Dobyvatel říše Inků.

MĚŠŤÁNKOVÁ, P.: *Latinskoamerické prezidentské systémy: postavení prezidenta a demokratické vládnutí.* Politologická revue 15, 2009, č. 1, s. 30-62.

LIVINGSTONEOVÁ, G.: *Zadní dvorek Ameriky. USA a Latinská Amerika od Monroeovy doktríny po válku proti terorismu.* [Z angl. orig. přeložili]: Jehlička, Zdeněk - Marek, Ondřej. Všeň, Grimmus 2011. 351 s.

LIPKOVÁ, L. a kol.: *Medzinárodné hospodárske vzťahy.* Bratislava: Sprint vfra, 2006.

POLÍŠENSKÝ, J.: *Dějiny Latinské Ameriky,* Praha, 1979.

REID, M.: *Forgotten Continent: The Battle for Latin America's Soul.* New Haven: Yale University Press, 2009.

DEL ARENAL, C.-SANAHUJA, J.: *América Latina y los Bicentenarios.* España: Editores Siglo XXI.

GALEANO, E.: *Las venas abiertas de América Latina.* Coyoacan: Editores Siglo XXI, 2009.

GALEANO, E.: *El descubrimiento de América que todavía no fue y otros escritos.* Barcelona: Editorial Laia, 1986.

RAMOS, S. 1965. *El perfil del hombre y la cultura en México.* México: Austral, 1965.

ALCÁNTARA SÁEZ, M.: *Sistemas políticos de América Latina,* Madrid, Tecnos, 2003.

BOFF, L.: *Quinientos años de evangelización. De la conquista espiritual a la liberación integral,* Santander: Editorial Sal Terrae, 1992.

Language: *English and Spanish*

Remarks: *The course is provided only in the case it is chosen by at least 16 students.*

Evaluation history:

A	B	C	D	E	FX
0	0	0	0	0	0

Lecturers: *PhDr. Elena Delgadová, PhD.*

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