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Course Unit Program
Elective IV - Regional Conflicts

Academic Year 2024/2025

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Law

2. Course

LAW

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Elective IV - Regional Conflicts (023C3)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

4th

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

2nd Semester



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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	30,00
Practical classes:	
Theoretical-Practical Classes	
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

Prof. Doutor VITOR MANUEL RAMON FERNANDES

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

This course unit intends to study some of the main regional conflicts, past and present, in order to allow students to gain relevant knowledge concerning these conflicts and the relevant dynamics involved, as well as the resulting consequences, which often extend well beyond the region where they occur. Particular attention will be given to regions such as the Middle East, the Balkans and Eastern Europe.

15. Specific Objectives

The objective is to provide students with solid knowledge, albeit at an introductory level, about some of the main regional conflicts in order to stimulate the students' analysis of those conflicts, as well as others that may occur in the future, using their analytical skills acquired during the course.

16. Skills to be acquired

The idea is for students to acquire a solid and relevant knowledge of the subjects taught but also to learn analytical skills that may allow them to understand and analyse not just past and present conflicts but also others that may occur in the future.

17. Teaching Methodology

To center the teaching and learning process according to the integrated participation of the students and an interaction between the lecture and the students according to the paradigm underlined within the Bologna Process.



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18. Course Unit Program

1. Introduction to the subject matter.
2. Typologies of the different regional conflicts.
3. International relations theory and regional conflicts
4. The Arab-Israeli conflict.
5. The wars in Lebanon.
6. The Palestinian-Israeli conflict.
7. The Iran-Iraq war.
8. The Kuwait crisis.
9. The Kurdish ethnic conflict.
10. The 1990s conflict in the Balkans.
11. The war in Georgia.
12. The crisis and the war in Ukraine.
13. The conflict between India and Pakistan.

19. Assessment Methods

According to the University regulations.

20. Didactic Resources

Recommended bibliography.
Digital resources.
Analysis of academic articles and other sources considered relevant.

21. Sustainability Objectives

This course unit wishes to contribute to sustainability in the following manner:

1. Ensure equality on what concerns access to a good quality technical education.
2. Guarantee equal level of opportunity in high level education.
3. To promote dematerialisation regarding the process of learning and teaching in a gradual way.

22. Keywords

Regional conflicts.
Middle East.
Balkans.
Eastern Europe.



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23. Main Bibliography

Author(s): FAWCETT, Louise
Title: International Relations of the Middle East
Edition: 4^a Year: 2019
Local: Oxford
Publisher: Oxford University Press

Author(s): MILTON-EDWARDS, Beverley and HINCHCLIFFE, Peter
Title: Conflicts in the Middle East since 1945
Edition: 3^a Year: 2007
Local: London and New York
Publisher: Routledge

Author(s): RAMET, Sabrina
Title: Thinking about Yugoslavia
Edition: 1^a Year: 2009
Local: Cambridge
Publisher: Cambridge University Press

24. Complementary Bibliography

Author(s): NYE, Joseph and Welch, David
Title: Understanding Global Conflict and Cooperation
Edition: 10^a Year: 2017
Local: London and New York
Publisher: Pearson Longman

Author(s): Sakwa, Richard
Title: Frontline Ukraine: Crisis in the Borderlands
Edition: 1^a Year: 2015
Local: London and New York
Publisher: I.B. Tauris



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