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Course Unit Program
Portuguese Contemporary Diplomatic History

Academic Year 2025/2026

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Law

2. Course

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Portuguese Contemporary Diplomatic History (07414)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

2nd

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

1st Semester

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8. Class type and workload (work time)

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

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

Prof. Doutor CARLOS CESAR LIMA DA SILVA MÓTA

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

Acquisition of knowledge of the Diplomatic History of Contemporary Portugal, in the chronological arc from 1815 to 1974.

15. Specific Objectives

Acquisition and memorization of the fundamental notions of Portuguese foreign policy, both in the structural aspect and in the cyclical involvement, which result from the country's geopolitics and alliances and treaties, these as political-strategic options of the State.

16. Skills to be acquired

Understanding the country's position in the international community, taking into account its historical past, in order to evaluate and understand the lines of force of Portuguese diplomacy, influenced by the need to defend its independence and the need for its better international insertion.

17. Teaching Methodology

Theoretical-practical classes.
Tutorial guidance classes.

18. Course Unit Program

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PORTUGAL AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 19TH CENTURY.
1. Portugal and the European conflict.
2. The options and consequences.

II. BRAZIL, HEADQUARTERS OF THE PORTUGUESE MONARCHY.
1. The transfer of institutions.
2. Portugal at the Congress of Vienna.
3. Portugal under foreign administration.

III. FROM LIBERAL REVOLUTION TO CIVIL WAR.
1. The Liberal Revolution of 1820.
2. The return of the seat of the Monarchy and the secession of Brazil.
3. External interference in Portuguese politics.
4. The succession of D. João VI.
5. The Civil War and external intervention.

IV. THE SECOND LIBERALISM.
1. The Quadruple Alliance and Portugal.
2. Portuguese liberalism under external ?surveillance?.

V. FROM REGENERATION TO THE CRISIS OF THE MONARCHY.
1. The Regeneration movement.
2. The heyday of liberalism.
3. Portugal in Africa compared to Europe.

SAW. THE CRISIS OF THE MONARCHY.
1. The British "ultimatum" and the political crisis.
2. The foreign policy of D. Carlos' reign.
3. Regicide and the end of the Monarchy.

VII. THE I REPUBLIC.
1. Implementation of the new regime.
2. The Republic and Overseas.
3. Portugal in the First World War.
4. From "Sidonism" to the end of the regime.

VIII. THE II REPUBLIC.
1. The National Dictatorship regime.
2. The "Estado Novo" and foreign policy.
3. The "Estado Novo" and the post-World War II period.
4. The end of the Second Republic.

19. Assessment Methods

Attendance at classes, participation in individual and group work, participation in extra-curricular activities relevant to the curricular unit, written points.

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20. Didactic Resources

Maps and other audio-visual media.

21. Sustainability Objectives

Ensure equal access to quality technical, professional and cultural education.
Substantially increase the number of young people and adults with relevant qualifications, including technical and professional skills, for employment, decent work and entrepreneurship.
Guarantee equal opportunities in university education, including for people in vulnerable situations.
Promote the rule of law, at national and international level, and guarantee equality and universality in access to justice.

22. Keywords

History
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Contemporary-Foreign-Policy

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23. Main Bibliography

Author(s):	MARTINEZ, Pedro Soares		
Title:	História Diplomática de Portugal		
Edition:		Year:	1986
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	Editorial Verbo		

Author(s):	MARTINEZ, Pedro Soares		
Title:	A República Portuguesa e as Relações Internacionais		
Edition:		Year:	2001
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	Editorial Verbo		

Author(s):	RAMOS, Rui (coord.); SOUSA, Bernardo Vasconcelos; MONTEIRO, Nuno Gonçalo		
Title:	História de Portugal		
Edition:	4ª	Year:	2010
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	A Esfera dos Livros		

24. Complementary Bibliography

Author(s):	SÁ, Tiago Moreira de		
Title:	Política Externa Portuguesa		
Edition:		Year:	2015
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	Fundação Francisco Manuel dos Santos		

Author(s):	MAGALHÃES, José Calvet de		
Title:	Breve História Diplomática de Portugal		
Edition:		Year:	1990
Local:	Mem Martins		
Publisher:	Publicações Europa-América		

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