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Course Unit Program
Latin America (political, economic and social issues)

Academic Year 2024/2025

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Law

2. Course

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Latin America (political, economic and social issues) (07429)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

3rd

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

2nd 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. Doutora MARIA MIGUEL SOUSA GALITO

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

Application of theoretical and practical knowledge of International Relations to a specific region, in this case, Latin America.
Debate on economic, political and social issues concerning Latin America.
Historical evolution and critical analysis.

15. Specific Objectives

Geopolitics, geoeconomics and geostrategy of Latin America.
Pedagogical analysis, based on different approaches about some of the countries of that strategic region.
Topics related to national independence, about the perspective of security, the pressure of globalization and the effort for regional integration.

16. Skills to be acquired

Intellectual skills (apprehension and understanding of contents).
Practical skills (ability to apply knowledge).
Ability to identify and relate political, economic and social issues that characterize the region, and their relevance to the system of International Relations.
Development of analysis/critique skills.

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17. Teaching Methodology

Classes teaching theory and practice. Tutoring classes using appropriate audiovisual means, to enable the perception of subjects.
In each work session, the teacher presents the subject and contextualizes concepts and issues to be developed; and suggests bibliography.

18. Course Unit Program

1. First Peoples. Pre-Columbian Era.
2. European colonization.
3. Independentist Movements and Initial Formation of New States.
4. The Relationship between the US and Latin America.
5. From the First World War to the Crisis of 1929.
6. From the Great Depression to World War II.
7. From the Cold War Emergency to the 1960s.
8. From the 1960s to the end of the Cold War.
9. Dictatorships and Populism.
10. Cartels, Guerrillas and Terrorism.
11. Regional Integration
12. Current Challenges.

19. Assessment Methods

The assessment is based on regulations, and may be modified in accordance with guidelines from Lusíada University of Lisbon.
Takes into account the student's attendance and participation in classes, both theoretical-practical and tutorials, as well as tests and exams.

20. Didactic Resources

All those that are appropriate to the topics addressed, regardless of their nature, and that allow achieving the objectives defined for the curricular unit.
Appropriate audiovisual means. If necessary, IT platform Teams can be used.

21. Sustainability Objectives

Main goals:
1 - Ensure equal access to quality technical, professional and cultural education. 2 - Substantially increase the number of young people and adults with relevant qualifications, including technical and professional skills, for employment, decent work and entrepreneurship. 3 - Guarantee equal opportunities in university education, including for people in vulnerable situations. 4 ? Promoting the gradual dematerialization of the teaching/learning process.
Specific goals:
1 - Promot

22. Keywords

Latin America
Policy
Economy
Society
International Relations

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23. Main Bibliography

Author(s):	RAPOSO LOPES, Ricardo		
Title:	A Guerra da América Latina. Dos Cartéis Mexicanos às Guerrilhas Colombianas		
Edition:		Year:	2017
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	Chiado		

Author(s):	WILLIAMSON, Edwin		
Title:	História da América Latina		
Edition:		Year:	2012
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	Edições 70		

Author(s):	ZANATTA, Loris		
Title:	Uma Breve História da América Latina		
Edition:		Year:	2017
Local:	São Paulo		
Publisher:	Cultrix		

24. Complementary Bibliography

Author(s):	KRUIJT, Dirk and TRISTÁN, Eduardo R. and ÁLVAREZ, Alberto M.		
Title:	Latin American Guerrilla Movements: Origins, Evolution, Outcomes		
Edition:		Year:	2020
Local:	New York		
Publisher:	Routledge		

Author(s):	VAYSSIÈRE, Pierre		
Title:	L'Amérique Latine de 1890 a nos Jours		
Edition:		Year:	2006
Local:	Paris		
Publisher:	Hachette		

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