Subject: HISTÒRIA I CULTURA DELS PAÏSOS DE PARLA ANGLESA

Code: **28462**Credits: **9**Semester: **1& 2**

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT

This course is designed to be a comprehensive introduction to the history and culture of the United Kingdom and Ireland. The first semester will focus on the United Kingdom and Ireland and the second semester on the rise and fall of the British Empire from the early 16th century up to the independence of the Indian subcontinent in 1947.

OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the course is to

- acquaint students with a wide range of aspects that have contributed to the shaping of these nations and their history
- analyse the role and the influence of the most outstanding personalities
- encourage students to consider not just the events themselves but the way they have been narrated and the role of history in the formation of a common culture

SYLLABUS

Semester A. The United Kingdom & Ireland

From Roman Britannia to Anglo-Saxon England. The Norman Conquest.

Celtic Ireland. The Golden Age. 1169 invasion.

The Middle Ages. Conquest of Wales. Wars with Scotland. Early Parliament.

The Tudors & the Reformation. Henry VIII & Elizabeth I. The Plantations in Ireland.

The Stuarts. Religion, Politics & the Civil Wars. Oliver Cromwell.

The Glorious Revolution. The Act of Union of Scotland & England & Wales.

The rise of political parties. Robert Walpole. The Penal Laws. Wolfe Tone. Daniel O'Connell.

The Act of Union with Britain. The Famine & emigration.

The Industrial Revolution. Scots & Industry.

Chartism. 19th Century reforms. Queen Victoria. Disraeli & Gladstone.

Home Rule bills. Charles Stewart Parnell. 1870 Education Act. The popular press.

The suffragette movement. Keir Hardie & the Labour party. World War I.

Easter Rebellion 1916. Partition & Civil War. Michael Collins & Eamon de Valera. The general strike. Depression. The inter-war years.

Semester B. The British Empire

Beginnings of overseas expansion. The East India Company.

The North American colonies. The Triangular Trade.

The Seven Years' War. The American Revolution.

Olaudah Equiano. The abolition of the slave trade. Morant Bay

From Plassey to the Indian Rebellion. Race & class in the colonies.

Colonization and Settlement of Australia & New Zealand.

Cape Colony. The Great Trek.

Cecil Rhodes. Zulus.

The Scramble for Africa. The Boer War.

Decolonization. Post-War immigration into Britain.

Aboriginal Australians, Maoris and Canada's First Nations today.

ASSESSMENT

Class participation: 10%

Essays: 20%

Mid-Term exam: 30%

Final exam: 40%

TUTORIALS

None

BIBLIOGRAPHY / MATERIALS

Semester A. Compulsory Reading

Lang, Sean, *British History for Dummies*, John Wiley & Sons, 2004 Paseta, Senia, *Modern Ireland: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford Paperbacks, 2003.

Reading pack

Semester B. Compulsory Reading

Reading packs

Secondary Reading:

The United Kingdom

Colley, Linda, Britons. The Forging of a Nation, Yale UP, 1992.

Haigh, Christopher (ed). The Cambridge Historical Encyclopedia of Great Britain and Ireland, CUP, 1990.

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Walsh, Oonagh, Ireland's Independence: 1880-1923, Routledge, 2001.

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