

Spanish and Catalan Political System

Code: 103104
ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2501933 Journalism	OT	4	0

The proposed teaching and assessment methodology that appear in the guide may be subject to changes as a result of the restrictions to face-to-face class attendance imposed by the health authorities.

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Use of Languages

Principal working language: catalan (cat)
Some groups entirely in English: No
Some groups entirely in Catalan: Yes
Some groups entirely in Spanish: No

Prerequisites

The student must have taken and passed the subject SOCIAL AND POLITICAL STRUCTURE.
It is also assumed that the student regularly reads general press newspaper.

Objectives and Contextualisation

This course will focus on the main elements of the Spanish political system, and Catalan. We will work on the background of the political system.

This work will allow us to achieve the ability to interpret its evolution over time and to assess its performance. We will also analyze the political system of Catalonia.

Competences

- Develop critical thinking and reasoning and be able to relay them effectively in Catalan, Spanish and a third language.
- Rigorously apply scientific thinking.

Learning Outcomes

1. Develop critical thinking and reasoning and be able to relay them effectively in Catalan, Spanish and a third language.
2. Rigorously apply scientific thinking.

Content

1. Historical background on the current Spanish political system. The nineteenth century Spanish
2. The transition to democracy
3. Characteristics and effects of the 1978 Constitution
4. Territorial organization: the state of the Autonomies
5. Elections and parties 1977-2019
6. Electoral System and its possible reform
7. Electoral behavior and political culture
8. Generational replacement and system transformation
9. The independentist process in Catalonia

Methodology

This subject has 6 ECTS credits, ie a total of 150 hours of dedication by the student (25 hours per credit).

It will have three session formats:

- Theory classes
- Reading seminars
- Dynamics of student participation

First of all, the theoretical contents of the subject will be worked in the classes, on the one hand, in a master clas:

Secondly, during the course, there will be reading seminars in which the comprehension of some texts that the st

Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Class working on theoretical content	17	0.68	

Seminars and reading tests	17	0.68
Theoretical sessions	17	0.68
Type: Supervised		
Preparation on class activities on theoretical content	28	1.12
Type: Autonomous		
Autonomous work on theoretical contents	41	1.64
Reading preparation	30	1.2

Assessment

Students will be entitled to the revaluation of the subject. They should present a minimum of activities that equals two-thirds of the total grading.

Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Semester final work	30	0	0	1
Seminars	60	0	0	2, 1
Writing essay 2	20%	0	0	2, 1
Writing essay 3	20%	0	0	2, 1
Writing essay 1	20%	0	0	2, 1

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