

Degree	Type	Year
2500259 Political Science and Public Management	OB	2
2503778 International Relations	OB	2

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Teaching groups languages

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Prerequisites

No necessary prerequisite required.

Objectives and Contextualisation

This subject is taught differently in the two degrees. You may find more information on this issue in the following links:

- [Groups 1 & 51 \(Political Science and Public Management degree & associated double degrees\)](#)
- [Group 52 \(International Relations degree & associated double degree\)](#)

Competences

Political Science and Public Management

- Applying the different behaviour analysis techniques and political actors to real cases from the internal and international political arena.
- Applying the discipline's main theories and different fields to real practical and professional problems.
- Arguing from different theoretical perspectives.
- Demonstrating the comprehension of the logic behind the scientific analysis of political sciences.
- Managing the available time in order to accomplish the established objectives and fulfil the intended task.
- Managing the methodological foundations of politic sciences.
- Realising effective oral presentations that are suited to the audience.
- Synthesizing and critically analysing information.
- Using the main information and documentation techniques (ICT) as an essential tool for the analysis.
- Working autonomously.

International Relations

- Design, plan and carry out projects and studies for analysis and/or intervention in different areas of international relations.
- Recognise the methodological foundations of social science with special emphasis on international relations.
- Students must develop the necessary learning skills to undertake further training with a high degree of autonomy.

Learning Outcomes

1. Apply the methodology of political analysis to specific real or simulated case studies for international relations and design a complete research strategy.
2. Arguing from different theoretical perspectives.
3. Be familiar with basic methodology in political science.
4. Critically assessing the usage of inductive, deductive and comparative methods.
5. Critically assessing the use of analytical instruments to validate the hypothesis raised.
6. Critically evaluate the use of analytical instruments for the validation of the proposed hypotheses.
7. Critically evaluate the use of methods of induction, deduction and comparison.
8. Demonstrate an understanding of the logic of scientific analysis applied to political science.
9. Demonstrating the comprehension of the logic behind the scientific analysis of political sciences.
10. Designing and planning an investigation in the field of political sciences.
11. Managing the available time in order to accomplish the established objectives and fulfil the intended task.
12. Managing the methodological foundations of politic sciences.
13. Realising effective oral presentations that are suited to the audience.
14. Students must develop the necessary learning skills to undertake further training with a high degree of autonomy.
15. Synthesizing and critically analysing information.
16. Use a data political data base and for each case use the appropriate basic techniques of descriptive statistics.
17. Using the main information and documentation techniques (ICT) as an essential tool for the analysis.
18. Working autonomously.

Content

The main contents of the subject are the following:

Research Design:

Social Research Fundamentals. Epistemologies and Methodologies

The Research Question. Theory and Hypotheses

Data Generation

Data Sources and Collection

Research Design

Concept Measurement

Control and Causality

Quantitative Research:

Univariate Descriptive Analysis

Sampling and Inference

Contingency Tables

Correlation and Difference of Means

Simple Linear Regression

Introduction to Multivariate Analysis

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Activities and Methodology

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Exercises presentation	15	0.6	2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 18
Practical lessons with computer	30	1.2	2, 5, 9, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18
Theoretical lessons	60	2.4	2, 4, 5, 9, 10, 12
Type: Supervised			
Tutorials to support exercises elaboration	30	1.2	4, 5, 9, 10, 12
Type: Autonomous			
Exercices	60	2.4	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18
Readings	30	1.2	2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 15, 17, 18
Study	60	2.4	2, 3, 4, 5, 11, 12, 15, 18

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Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Assessment

Continous Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Continuous evaluation and participation	40%	12	0.48	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18
Exams	60%	3	0.12	9, 11, 15, 17, 18

The final grade for the whole subject will be the weighted average of the following blocks:

- January exam: 30% of the final grade
- May exam: 30% of the final grade
- Continuous assessment activities and class participation: 40% of the final grade.

To pass the course you must:

- Obtain a minimum of 5 in the mean of the whole subject and, in addition:
- Obtain a minimum of 4 in the January exam and, in addition:
- Obtain a minimum of 4 in the May exam.

There will be a re-take exam for students who failed the subject. The teaching staff will indicate whether the student must re-take only the January exam, only the May exam, both exams, or the whole course. In the first three cases, the maximum grade for the re-take will be a 5, the average of the course will be recalculated, and this will be the final grade for the subject. In the last case, the maximum grade in the re-take will be a 5 and this will be the final grade of the course.

No exams will be held outside the dates set by the Faculty. No continuous assessment tests will be taken outside the dates set by the lecturer. The detection of a copied test or exam will lead directly to a failure in the subject's final grade.

The Faculty Board decided that this subject is not subject to the single evaluation procedure. Repeating students can have access to a synthesis assessment, but they must contact the teaching staff at the beginning of the academic year.

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Language list

Name	Group	Language	Semester	Turn
(SEM) Seminars	1	Spanish	annual	morning-mixed
(SEM) Seminars	51	Catalan	annual	afternoon
(SEM) Seminars	52	English	annual	afternoon
(SEM) Seminars	520	English	annual	morning-mixed
(TE) Theory	1	Spanish	annual	morning-mixed
(TE) Theory	51	Catalan	annual	afternoon
(TE) Theory	52	English	annual	afternoon