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Teacher(s)	Defraigne Jean-Christophe ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	In order to understand the society of the 21st century, it is essential to know its historical roots. Globalization, North-South inequality, technological revolution, the hegemony of one country in a multi-polar world, the construction of the European Union, the international monetary system, the birth of super-national authorities, the intervention of public power or market liberalization, protectionism or free trade, all these represent current issues based on secular studies. The history of social and economic development does not end with the analysis of economic growth in the long run, the objective of the course is to follow the five centuries of the capitalist development (from 1500 to nowadays) by pointing out economic and social conditions, policies, ideologies of economic booms, transformations and the evolution of the system. The course follows five main successive steps: - the market economy (XVIst and XVIIInd centuries) mettili tutti in numero (altrimenti devi togliere rd;th) - manufacturing (XVIII century) - industrial (XIX and XX centuries - post industrial (end of XX century and XXI century) The attitude of the course is interdisciplinary and comparative and it proposes a critical analysis on our model of development.
Learning outcomes	<p>At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to :</p> <p>1 Thanks to this course the students will acquire the following competences: 1) knowledge of the phases and of the main dimensions of the social and economic development of West-ern countries, from the 16th century until now; 2) the aptitude to have an historical long-run perspective on the main contemporaneous economic and so-cial debates (globalization, north-south equilibrium, technological revolution, etc.); 3) the capacity to express a synthetic reasoning and to support a critic discussion on economic and social development.</p>
Faculty or entity in charge	ECON

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Master [120] in Anthropology	ANTR2M	5		
Master [120] in Sociology	SOC2M	5		
Master [120] in Population and Development Studies	SPED2M	5		
Master [120] in Economics: General	ECON2M	5		