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This biannual learning is being organized in 2026-2027

Teacher(s)	Dauchy Serge ;Desmette Philippe ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Bruxelles Saint-Louis
Learning outcomes	<p>At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to :</p> <p>This course aims at introducing the students to the major "dividing lines" of Modern Times (16th, 17th and 18th centuries). It also aims to develop the students' capacity to approach a period of transition in Western history in its "long" dimension: understand the political, social and religious structures throughout Modern Times, but also beyond the chronological limits of the studied period (ruptures and continuities with the previous and following periods); in its "medium" dimension: analysis of the cyclic movements, especially in institutional and economic matters; and in its "short" dimension: assess the direct impact of events on political, social, religious and cultural history. This course also aims to discover new horizons through the analysis of colonial phenomena (mainly in America).</p>
Content	<p>This course is developed around four major themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The genesis of the Modern State and on the comparison of political systems in Europe in the 17th and 18 th centuries 2) The main upheavals of Western society (including the intellectual, geographical and religious frames) that occurred at the dawn of Modern Times; 3) society and economics from the 16th to 18th century; 4) culture(s) and civilisation(s). The course will essentially focus on Western Europe (the Empire, France, England, the Iberian Peninsula, Italy and the former Netherlands) without forgetting the other continents to which Europe specifically opened up during Modern Times.
Bibliography	Une bibliographie générale et des listes d'ouvrages spécialisés permettant d'approfondir la matière abordée au cours sont fournies dans le syllabus-cadre.
Other infos	A frame-syllabus including a detailed course outline, maps and bibliographical references.
Faculty or entity in charge	PHLB

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Bachelor in Philosophy	FILB1BA	5		
Bachelor in French and Romance Languages and Letters	ROMB1BA	5		
Bachelor in History	HISB1BA	5		
Bachelor in History (French - English)	HIAB1BA	5		
Bachelor in Political Sciences	SPOB1BA	5		
Bachelor in Political Sciences (French-English)	SPAB1BA	5		
Bachelor in Political Sciences (French-Dutch-English)	SPTB1BA	5		
Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures : General	ROGB1BA	5		