

Information list of a subject

<b>University:</b> Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts (BISLA)					
<b>Faculty:</b>					
<b>Subject code</b>			<b>Subject name:</b> Political Geography		
<b>Type, scope, and method of educational activities:</b> Two weekly meetings of 90 minutes each, amounting 42 hours total. Every week, the first meeting takes the form of a lecture and the second, of a seminar. (full-time form)					
<b>Number of credits:</b> ECT					
<b>Suggested semester:</b> Autumn semester					
<b>Level of studies:</b> 1					
<b>Conditional previous subjects:</b> none					
<b>Requirements for the course:</b> Course evaluation (%): A – excellent: 100-93%, B – very good: 92-84%, C – good: 83-74%, D – satisfactory: 73-63%, E – sufficient: 62-51%, Fx – fail: 50-0%. Passing the course assumes that the student was not absent at more than 4 class sessions. Late arrival is marked as a “tardie”. Three tardies equal one absence. Missing more than 15 minutes of the class is considered an absence.					
<b>Learning outcomes:</b> Students will learn to read geopolitical maps. They will seize international power relations in space and grasp the importance of the geographical dimension of international relations. They will learn how to locate global, regional, and local challenges on the map and get more critical about how they perceive the ‘outside world.’ Europe’s place and role in the global world will be addressed constructively and critically.					
<b>Brief outline of the course:</b> We will first get familiar with the essential tools and means of geopolitics and the definition of political geography. After initial considerations on space and time, we will proceed macro-region by macro-region to better see through the contemporary challenges of global complexity. Through these macro-regional inquiries, we will also learn to measure power in a critical way. Indeed, power does not necessarily come along with strength or weight.					
<b>Recommended readings:</b> Kishore Mahbubani: <i>Has the West Lost it? A Provocation</i> ; Fernand Braudel: <i>The Mediterranean</i> ; Roger Hardy: <i>The Poisoned Well</i> ; Edward W. Said: <i>Orientalism</i> ; Connolly and Monaghan: <i>The Sea in Russian Strategy</i> ; Eric Hobsbawm: ‘Mitteleuropean Destinies’ in <i>Fractured Times</i>					
<b>Language of the course:</b> English					
<b>Notes:</b>					
<b>Evaluation</b>					
Total number of evaluated students:					
A	B	C	D	E	FX
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<b>Instructor:</b> Adam Bence Balazs					
<b>Date of the last change:</b> 10.08.2023					
<b>Approved:</b> Prof. PhDr. František Novosád, CSc.					