

Information list of a subject

University: Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts (BISLA)					
Faculty:					
Subject code: F-243			Subject name: Modern Political Philosophy		
Type, scope, and method of educational activities: 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)					
Number of credits: ECTS 6					
Suggested semester: Spring semester					
Level of studies: 1					
Conditional previous subjects: History of Political Thought I-II; Plato's <i>Republic</i> (J-term)					
Requirements for the course: 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 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.					
Learning outcomes: Through this reading seminar, students will improve their understanding of modern political thought and its chronology. They will improve the structure of their thoughts through essays, text commentaries, and oral presentations. They will deepen their knowledge of those classics we did not cover enough in the previous semesters to get the big picture of this odyssey from Plato to Marx.					
Brief outline of the course: We will come back to three prominent classics in political thought: Machiavelli (and the Renaissance), Hobbes (and the 17th century), and Kant (and the Enlightenment). In this reading seminar, we will take our time to have a closer look at theories and periods mentioned in previous courses yet not examined in depth.					
Recommended readings: Machiavelli: <i>Discourses on Livy</i> . Hobbes: <i>Leviathan</i> . Kant: <i>Perpetual Peace, What does it Mean to Orient Oneself in Thinking</i> .					
Language of the course: English					
Notes:					
Evaluation					
Total number of evaluated students:					
A	B	C	D	E	FX
(percentage of students who got A)	(percentage of students who got B)	(percentage of students who got C)	(percentage of students who got D)	(percentage of students who got E)	(percentage of students who got FX)
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