

History of the European idea

Presentation

Following a chronological order, this class puts in perspective the different approaches to Europe and conceptions of the European idea, as well as the major issues surrounding the ways of "thinking Europe": The myth of Indo-Europeans, pre-historic Europe, Greek, Latin and then barbarian legacies from Antiquity, Christendom as a prefiguration of a united Europe, the divisions and ideals of modern Europe, revolutionary Europe versus counter-revolutionary Europe, Napoleonic conceptions of Europe, Romantic Europe, early socialism in Europe, totalitarian projects in 20th century Europe, the construction of Europe, etc.

Recommended Prerequisite(s)

A good knowledge of the main events and schools of thought in the history of Europe is required.

In brief

ECTS credits: 3.0
Number of hours: 18.0
Teaching term: Six-monthly
Teaching activity: Lecture course

Year: Fourth year

Validation: Final written examination

Contacts

Responsible(s)

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Form of assessment

The number of ECTS credits and the assessment methods are likely to be different for students in credit exchange programmes.

Bibliography

- Demoule J.P., Mais où sont passés les Indo-Européens? : le mythe d'origine de l'occident, Paris, Le Seuil, 2014.
- Le Goff J., L'Europe est-elle née au Moyen Age?, Paris, Seuil Points Histoire, 2010.
- Chabod F., Histoire de l'idée d'Europe, Bruxelles, 2014.

Formule pédagogique

Lecture combined with more interactive work through discussions around texts and other documents.