

**COURSE DATA****Data Subject**

Code	33797
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Cycle	Grade
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Study (s)

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
1318 - Grado de Geografía y Medio Ambiente	Faculty of Geography and History	1	Second term

Subject-matter

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1318 - Grado de Geografía y Medio Ambiente	593 - Geography II	Basic Training

Coordination

Name	Department
ESPARCIA PEREZ, JAVIER	195 - Geography

SUMMARY

The geography of Europe is the first course of regional studies in Grade Geography and Environment. Program development involves the application of integrated concepts, knowledge (territorial, environmental, demographic, economic, etc.) and analytical tools that provide different branches of Geography. The study by the European Union is given special attention: the process of construction, social and economic characteristics, the progressive expansion and regional differences, objectives and basic principles of Community environmental policy, etc

PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE**Relationship to other subjects of the same degree**

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.



Other requirements

Not required

OUTCOMES

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- Have capacity for analysis and synthesis.
- Have oral and written communication skills in one's own language and in a foreign language.
- Have computer skills related to the field of study.
- Be able to work independently.
- Be able to work in interdisciplinary teams.
- Show commitment to the values of gender equality, interculturality, equal opportunities, universal access for people with disabilities, the culture of peace, democratic values and solidarity.
- Be able to learn independently and show creativity, initiative and entrepreneurship. Be able to resolve unforeseen situations.
- Show motivation for quality, responsibility and intellectual honesty.
- Learn about regional geographical spaces.
- Learn about human, economic and social geography.
- Learn about physical geography.
- Be able to use cartography and geographic information systems.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

The student must understand that the European area is the result of the interaction of various (natural, political, social, economic, etc.) processes, valuing diversity "Europes" and appreciate the differences between the regions of the continent. It must also know the functioning of the European Union and meaning of European citizenship

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

1. Europe, geographical approximation

It analyzes geographic and cultural diversity, territorial imbalances, resulting regional spaces, as well as social inequalities.

2. Political Europe: realities and future challenges

This thematic unit addresses the process of political construction; The origin, development and institutional and instrumental framework of the European Union; Finally, an introduction to the geopolitics of conflicts and the situation of Europe in world geopolitics is carried out.

3. Natural landscapes and environmental problems



A review is made of the factors that shape natural landscapes in Europe (relief units, climate and water and plant formations), and especially the diversity of natural landscapes and environmental problems present (taking into account aspects such as risks, disasters and vulnerability)

4. The European population: dynamics and current problems

This fourth unit analyzes the spatial distribution of the population, the different models in terms of demographic dynamics and recent trends, as well as migratory movements and their effects.

5. Urban Spaces: Cities and Metropolis

This topic addresses the urban system and the organization of the territory, affecting the different systems of cities and the presence of various megacities, as well as urban problems and how these are addressed from public policies

6. Rural Spaces: changes and permanencies

This unit focuses on the study of three key aspects in relation to European rural spaces. First, the diversity of rural spaces and landscapes, as well as changes in the functions of rural spaces; Second, rural, in the evolution and modernization of farming activities. Finally, an introduction to agrarian and territorial rural development policies is carried out.

7. Geoeconomic changes: toward a tertiary and postindustrial economy

Four important aspects are analyzed as dominant in recent geoeconomic processes. First, the role of globalization and the new development and economic and productive environments; Second, changes in traditional manufacturing activities and processes of industrial change; Thirdly, tourism, as one of the highest exponents of tertiarization, and its presence and territorial impact. Finally, the role of transport infrastructures as an element of territorial articulation in Europe.

WORKLOAD

ACTIVITY	Hours	% To be attended
Theory classes	30,00	100
Other activities	15,00	100
Classroom practices	15,00	100
Development of individual work	10,00	0
Study and independent work	30,00	0
Readings supplementary material	10,00	0
Preparation of evaluation activities	10,00	0
Preparing lectures	30,00	0
TOTAL	150,00	



TEACHING METHODOLOGY

In class the basic content of each topic, open to further extensions of the student, are explained. In the classroom active learning, selected text commentary and critical reflection, participation in applied and complementary activities will be encouraged.

There are 6 hores weekly tutoring for the attention of students who also have two-hour tutorial session, to be attended in small to deal with the problems that arise during the learning process groups and implementation complementary activities

EVALUATION

The evaluation consists of the following (in%):

Practice Exercises and active participation in the classroom	20-25% 5-10%
Complementary activities	5-10%
Review	60-65%
Total	100

It must pass the theory testand global practices and complementary activities for to approve the matter
Attendance at the applied and complementary activities is mandatory, and non recoverable

REFERENCES

Basic

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Additional



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ADDENDUM COVID-19

This addendum will only be activated if the health situation requires so and with the prior agreement of the Governing Council

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