

**COURSE DATA****DATA SUBJECT**

**Code:** 34017  
**Name:** Geography  
**Cycle:** Undergraduate Studies  
**ECTS Credits:** 6  
**Academic year:** 2025-26

**STUDY (S)**

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
1005 - Degree in History	Facultat de Geografia i Història	1	Second quarter

**SUBJECT-MATTER**

Degree	Subject-matter	Character
1005 - Degree in History	Geography	BASIC

**COORDINATION**

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**SUMMARY**

The content of this course includes basic topics of geography and it is aimed at students of the Grade in History. Its main objectives are to provide the students a knowledge of the environment in which human beings are immersed, and discover relationships between the human activities and the medium. It also relevant to highlight the relationship between the disciplines of Geography (space) and History (time), explaining the importance of the spatial component in history.

**PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE****RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER SUBJECTS OF THE SAME DEGREE**

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

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**



## COMPETENCES / LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Be able to make abstractions, to analyse and to synthesise.

Be sensitive to environmental issues.

Know and be able to use methods and techniques from other social and human sciences.

## DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

### 1. Introduction to the subject.

Geography in History. Evolution of the discipline. History of cartography.

### 2. The earth: structure, dynamics and landforms

Shape and dimensions of the Earth. Earth structure. Tectonic plates. Volcanoes and earthquakes. Landforms

### 3. Climate and waters

The global hydrological cycle. The weather system. Atmospheric and oceanic circulation. Large climatic zones. Water resources and hazards.

### 4. The human impact on the planet: global change

Climatic changes in history. Global warming and human activities. Environmental sustainability. Anthropocene.

### 5. The population: distribution, dynamics and structures

The logic of its spatial distribution at different scales. Vegetative dynamics. The demographic transition. Migratory movements. Population structures.

Agricultural activities and landscapes. Raw materials, energy resources and sustainability. Sectorial



## 6. Economic activities

change: from the industrial revolution to deindustrialization and the servindustrial continuum. Location factors and territorial dynamics.

## 7. Rural and urban spaces

Definitions and characterization. New dynamics in rural spaces. The urbanization process. The internal space of the city. Urban systems

## 8. A global world in transformation

The world-system in its historical evolution: Centre and peripheries. Current economic globalization: international trade and financial flows. Development, underdevelopment and new inequalities.

### WORKLOAD

#### PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Theory	30,00
Other activities	15,00
Classroom practices	15,00
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>60,00</b>

#### NON PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Attendance at other activities	10,00
Individual or group project	20,00
Independent study and work	20,00
Preparation of lessons	20,00
Preparation for assessment activities	20,00
Resolution of case studies	0,00
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>90,00</b>

### TEACHING METHODOLOGY

CLASSES: In the theory classes, the basic aspects of each topic will be explained and information about the materials and recommended readings will be given. In the practices and complementary activities, exercises, commentary on texts, maps and graphs will be proposed.

PREPARATION OF THEORETICAL CLASSES: Students must expand the content of the theoretical classes



with the indicated readings.

TUTORIAL: Those posted on the door of the teacher's office in each group.

COMPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES: The teacher will propose activities (seminars, visits to museums or exhibitions and/or field trips) in coordination with the course coordinator to broaden and deepen the theoretical and practical content taught in class.

## EVALUATION

1. Written test: A final written exam of the whole subject on the day established by the academic authority. The mark of the written test will have a value of 70% of the final mark of the subject. In order to pass and take into account the exercises and complementary activities, the average mark of the written test must be at least 4 points out of 10 points.

2. Complementary activities (15 % of the final grade of the subject) and individual practical work (15% of the final grade of the subject). Writing of the works indicated by the teacher of each group. The marks obtained in the complementary activities and practical work are not recoverable. Complementary activities and practical work handed in after the deadline established by the teachers of the subject will not be accepted.

Excepting Erasmus students, grammar and spelling mistakes will score negatively on the qualification of all written tests and academic works. Their accumulation may lead to a failing grade in the subject.

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