

**COURSE DATA****DATA SUBJECT****Code:** 44248**Name:** Sources, palaeography and introduction to the job of a historian**Cycle:** Master's Degree**ECTS Credits:** 5**Academic year:** 2026-27**STUDY (S)**

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
2197 - Master's degree in History and Identities in the Western Mediterranean (15t	Facultat de Geografia i Història	1	First quarter

SUBJECT-MATTER

Degree	Subject-matter	Character
2197 - Master's degree in History and Identities in the Western Mediterranean (15t	Introduction to research	COMPULSORY

COORDINATION

PONS ALOS VICENTE

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SUMMARY

Study of the main documentary typologies of the Early Modern Western Mediterranean and introduction to the reading of the handwriting documents and to search, analysis and information processing techniques, as well as research in archives and libraries.

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**



2197 - Master's degree in History and Identities in the Western Mediterranean (15t

Analyze with a critical perspective works and research on the western Mediterranean in the early modern age.

Comment, anotate and edit texts and documents correctly.

Elaborate and handle written reports and research procedures for questions concerning the early modern history of the Western Mediterranean.

Identify and use information retrieval tools, such as bibliographical repertoires, archival inventories and e-references, to solve research questions concerning the Western Mediterranean in early modern age.

Students should communicate conclusions and underlying knowledge clearly and unambiguously to both specialized and non-specialized audiences.

Students should possess and understand foundational knowledge that enables original thinking and research in the field.

Understand that historical knowledge is always under construction and compare and evaluate different historiographical perspectives.

Use information and communication technology (ICT).

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

1. Main documentary typologies of the Early Modern Western Mediterranean

2. Introduction to Early Modern Age Palaeography: reading and text editing rules

3. Archival sources and instruments of description

4. Search, analysis and information processing techniques

WORKLOAD

PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES



Activity	Hours
Tutorials	1,00
Theory	18,00
Seminar	8,00
Other activities	6,00
Classroom practices	6,00
Total hours	39,00

NON PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Attendance at other activities	0,00
Individual or group project	0,00
Independent study and work	46,00
Preparation of lessons	0,00
Preparation for assessment activities	40,00
Resolution of case studies	0,00
Total hours	86,00

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

The course will be divided in two sections taught by two different professors. Each section will be developed in six weekly two-hour sessions; the first session will be slightly shorter (90 mn) and will be used for presentation of the course, the syllabus, and assignment of individual topics for discussion. The last two sessions will be devoted to presentations by students and subsequent debate. In addition, various activities will be carried out throughout the course complementary (6 hours in total)

EVALUATION

~~Evaluation~~
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25
lectures
and
tutorial
attendance



Participation
in
online
seminars
and
forums
discussions

Oral
presentations

Written
essays

REFERENCES

- CORTÉS, V., La escritura y lo escrito. Paleografía y Diplomática de España y América en los siglos XVI y XVII, Madrid 1986. - LÓPEZ VILLALBA, J.M. Normas españolas para la transcripción y edición de colecciones diplomáticas: Espacio, Tiempo y Forma. Serie III, Hª Medieval 11 (1998) 285-306. - MILLARES CARLO, A., Tratado de Paleografía Española, 3ª. ed. 3 vols., Madrid 1985. - MILLARES CARLO, A.-MANTECÓN, J.I. Album de Paleografía Hispanoamericana de los siglos XVI y XVII, 2 vols., Barcelona 1975. - RIESCO TERRERO, Á. (ed.), Introducción a la Paleografía y Diplomática General, Madrid 1999. - ROMERO TALLAFIGO, M. et alii. Arte de leer escrituras antiguas: Paleografía de lectura, Huelva 1985. - Archivística. Estudios básicos, Sevilla, 1981. - HEREDIA HERRERA, Antonia, Archivística general. Teoría y práctica, Sevilla, 1987. - ESTEBAN, León y VILLALMANZO, Jesús, Guía didáctica para el estudiante de la investigación histórico-pedagógica valenciana (Metodología y fuentes), Valencia, 1981. - Censo-guía de archivos españoles, 2 vols., Madrid, 1972. - CORTÉS, Vicenta, Guía de los archivos estatales españoles. Guía del investigador, Madrid, 1977. - DE LA PLAZA, Ángel, Archivo General de Simancas. Guía del investigador, Madrid, 1980. - SÁNCHEZ BELDA, Luis, Guía del Archivo Histórico Nacional, Madrid, 1958. - UDINA MARTORELL, Federico, El Archivo de la Corona de Aragón, Madrid, 1980.