

27406 - World Economic History

Información del Plan Docente

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Faculty / School	109 - Facultad de Economía y Empresa
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Module	---

1.General information

1.1.Introduction

1.2.Recommendations to take this course

1.3.Context and importance of this course in the degree

1.4.Activities and key dates

2.Learning goals

2.1.Learning goals

2.2.Importance of learning goals

3.Aims of the course and competences

3.1.Aims of the course

3.2.Competences

4.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

4.1.Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)

5.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

5.1.Methodological overview

The learning process that is designed for this subject is based on the following:

The historical-economic approach allows you to use the past to test theories and economic and social policies. Economic History, therefore, is one more branch of economic science that allows us to get closer to economic reality.

The course is divided into two parts: theory and practice.

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5.2.Learning tasks

The theoretical part is taught in class by the teacher (two hours per week) and may be based on a manual or other materials arranged by the teacher.

In the practical part of the course the class is divided into subgroups (using the alphabetical list provided by enrollment). The practical part is based on work, individually or in groups, with texts from book chapters or journal articles. These texts develop matters dealt with in the theoretical part from a more general or more specific view.

The entries for part theory and practice are available in the library of the Faculty. The schedule of classes of theory and practice will be explained on the first day of class.

The theory part is completed with "practice P6" (non-recurring) in which students, individually or in a group, works in a different and complementary to the one established in the rest of the course (for example, with other of materials).

The schedule of lectures, practical and "practices P6" is available both in the Faculty (level 0) and the website of the same (<http://econz.unizar.es/>). The web page can also be found surnames distribution subgroups practice.

5.3.Syllabus

PROGRAM Part of TEORIA

1. Introduction. Economic development in the long run.

2. The Industrial Revolution in Britain (1760-1840).

3. The spread of industrialization (1850-1870)

Spread of industrialization towards NW Europe (France, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland) and in the USA.

4. The Second Industrial Revolution and Globalization I (1870-1914).

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5. The interwar period (1918-1939)

6. The economic expansion (1945-1973)

7. The world economy since 1973

In **Topic 1**, Introduction of the course (several weeks), economic development in the long term is analyzed: the causes of modern economic growth and structural change, energy change, economic integration (the two globalizations, the (spatial and personal) in the distribution of wealth. inequalities also institutional change (from feudalism to capitalism) and the growing state interventionism is studied.

PROGRAM of the PRACTICAL PART:

(Week 1) General introduction of the book R.C. Allen: objectives and general arguments:

1 (week 2). Chapter 1. The great divergence.

2 (week 3). Chapter 2. The progress of the West.

3 (week 4). Chapter 6. The Americas: colonial economies (part I, pages 96-117).

4 (week 5). Chapter 7. Africa: the precolonial period (Part I, pages 134-145).

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5 (week 6). Chapter 3. The Industrial Revolution.

6 (week 7). Chapter 4. The takeoff of rich countries.

7 (week 8). Chapter 5. The great empires.

8 (week 9). Chapter 6. The Americas: independence (Part II, pages 117-133).

week 10). Chapter 7. Africa: contemporary colonialism and poverty (Part II, pages 145-166)

10 (week 11). Chapter 8. The classical model and late industrialization.

11 (week 12). Chapter 9. The big boost to industrialization.

(Weeks 13 and 14). Overview of the readings and practices carried out in class since February.

5.4.Course planning and calendar

Schedule sessions and presentation of works

In the part of theory, the topics on the agenda will be presented.

In practice, we work on the chapters of the book:

R.C. Allen (2013) Historia económica mundial. Alianza editorial (paperback). Madrid, 253 pages. € 9.95

In each class reading and discussion of chapter next week will arise.

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The schedule of classes Theory and Practice will be explained on the first day of class, as well as topics and timing of the P6 practices.

5.5. Bibliography and recommended resources

Typically, the literature is kept updated and is consulted by the Library website (search literature recommended: biblioteca.unizar.es)