

28141 - Rome and its Empire

Syllabus Information

Academic Year: 2019/20

Subject: 28141 - Rome and its Empire

Faculty / School: 103 - Facultad de Filosofía y Letras

Degree: 418 - Degree in History

ECTS: 5.0

Year: 4

Semester: Second semester

Subject Type: Optional

Module: ---

1.General information

1.1.Aims of the course

1.2.Context and importance of this course in the degree

1.3.Recommendations to take this course

2.Learning goals

2.1.Competences

2.2.Learning goals

2.3.Importance of learning goals

3.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

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

4.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

4.1.Methodological overview

The methodology followed in this course is oriented towards the achievement of the learning objectives. A wide range of teaching and learning tasks are implemented, such as lectures, practice sessions, autonomous work, study and assessment tasks.

Students are expected to participate actively in class throughout the semester.

Further information regarding the course will be provided on the first day of class.

4.2.Learning tasks

The course includes the following learning tasks:

- Lectures.
- Practice sessions.
- Autonomous work and study.
- Assessment tasks.

4.3.Syllabus

The course will address the following topics:

Section I: The Roman Empire as a Power Structure: from Augustus to Antoninus Pius (44 B. C.-161 A. D.).

1. The Empire of Augustus (44 B. C.-14 A. D.): the new order.
2. The Empire under the Julio-Claudians (14-68): transformation and crisis.
3. The Age of the Flavians (69-96): the *Lex de imperio Vespasiani*.
4. The Empire's consolidation under the Antonines until Marcus Aurelius (96-161).

Section II: The Crisis of the Roman Empire from Marcus Aurelius to Diocletian (161-284).

1. The *prolegomena* of the crisis: the last Antonines (161-192): before and after in historiography.
2. The *Severi* (193-235): an age of reforms.
3. Maximinus Thrax and the 'Great Crisis' of 3rd. Century (235-284).
4. Political thought and ideology in the 3rd. century.

Section III: The Later Roman Empire from Diocletian to Julian (284-363).

1. Construction and demolition of the so-called 'Tetrarchy' from Diocletian to Constantine (284-337). Historiographical, political and ideological aspects.
2. The successors of Constantine (337-363).
3. The new imperial order (4th. Century).

4.4. Course planning and calendar

Further information concerning the timetable, classroom, office hours, assessment dates and other details regarding this course, will be provided on the first day of class or please refer to the Faculty of Philosophy and Arts website (<https://fyl.unizar.es/>); academic calendar: <http://academico.unizar.es/calendario-academico/calendario>, timetable: <https://fyl.unizar.es/horario-de-clases#overlay-context=horario-de-clases>; assessment dates: <https://fyl.unizar.es/calendario-de-examenes#overlay-context=>

4.5. Bibliography and recommended resources