

**FIȘA DISCIPLINEI**  
COURSE SYLLABUS

**1. DATE DESPRE PROGRAM**

PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION DETAILS

1.1 Instituția de învățământ superior Higher education institution	UNIVERSITATEA DIN BUCUREȘTI UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST
1.2 Facultatea Faculty	FACULTATEA DE ȘTIINȚE POLITICE FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
1.3 Departamentul Department	DEPARTAMENTUL DE TEORIE ȘI ISTORIE POLITICĂ ȘI CONSTITUȚIONALĂ DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL THEORY AND HISTORY
1.4 Domeniul de studii Field of studies	ȘTIINȚE POLITICE POLITICAL SCIENCE
1.5 Ciclu de studii Cycle of studies (degree)	MASTER MASTER OF ARTS
1.6 Programul de studii / calificarea Degree program / qualification	POLITICĂ COMPARATĂ / ȘTIINȚE POLITICE COMPARATIVE POLITICS / POLITICAL SCIENCE

**2. DATE DESPRE DISCIPLINĂ**

COURSE IDENTIFICATION DETAILS

2.0 Codul disciplinei Course code	SP2203						
2.1 Denumirea disciplinei Course title	REGIONAL IDENTITIES AND IDEOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT IN EASTERN EUROPE						
2.2 Titularul activităților de curs Instructor	Conf.univ.dr. Victor RIZESCU						
2.3 Titularul activităților de seminar Teaching assistant	Conf.univ.dr. Victor RIZESCU						
2.4 Anul de studii Year 2024-2025	I	2.5 Semestrul Semester	I	2.6 Tipul de evaluare Evaluation type	E	2.7 Regimul disciplinei Course type	OBL

**3. TIMPUL TOTAL ESTIMAT (ORE PE SEMESTRU) AL ACTIVITĂȚILOR DIDACTICE**

ESTIMATED WORKLOAD (HOURS/SEMESTER)

3.1 Număr de ore pe săptămână Number of teaching hours/week	3	din care of which	3.2 Curs Course	2	3.3 Seminar Seminar	1
3.4 Total ore din planul de învățământ Total number of teaching hours within the program	42	din care of which	3.5 Curs Course	28	3.6 Seminar Seminar	14
3.7 Total ore studiu individual Student workload for individual study	98	3.8 Total ore pe semestrul Total student workload / semester	140	3.9 Număr de credite ECTS	7	
<b>DISTRIBUȚIA FONDULUI DE TIMP</b> DISTRIBUTION OF INDIVIDUAL STUDY WORKLOAD	<b>Studiu după manual, suport de curs, bibliografie și notițe</b> Individual study of textbooks, handbooks/reader, bibliography and notes					28
	<b>Documentare suplimentară în bibliotecă, pe platformele electronice de specialitate și pe teren</b> Additional research (library, electronic resources, potential fieldwork)					50
	<b>Pregătire seminarii, teme, referate, portofolii și eseuri</b> Homework (preparing seminar presentations, portfolios, critical essays, research papers etc.)					14
	<b>Tutoriat (opțional)</b> Individual consultations (optional)					1
	<b>Examinări (inclusive pregătire examene)</b> Evaluations / exams					5
	<b>Alte activități</b> Other activities					-

**4. PRECONDIȚII**

PRECONDITIONS

4.1 De curriculum Curriculum-related	
4.2 De competențe Skills-related	

**5. CONDIȚII**

CONDITIONS

5.1 De desfășurare a cursului For running the course	Access to overhead/video projector, Internet and workstation (desktop, laptop, tablet etc.)
5.2 De desfășurare a seminarului For running the seminar	Access to overhead/video projector, Internet and workstation (desktop, laptop, tablet etc.)

**6 .COMPETENȚE SPECIFICE ACUMULATE**

## ACQUIRED SKILLS

<b>6.1 Competențe profesionale</b> Professional skills	Mastery of the basic facts and developments of East European history over the long run of history. Basic knowledge of the main stages in the evolution of political thought in the framework of the lags of development.
<b>6.2 Competențe transversale</b> Cross-cutting skills	Proficiency in using library and Internet resources, reading critically various sources, presenting logically an argument. Capacity to expose clearly ideas to an audience, to assess critically the ideas expressed by others and to defend a position.

## 7. OBIECTIVELE DISCIPLINEI

## GOAL &amp; OBJECTIVES

<b>7.1 Obiectivul general al disciplinei</b> Goal	Enabling the students to understand the interplay between ideological developments and deep structural evolutions over the long run of East European history.
<b>7.2 Obiective specifice</b> Objectives	Introducing the students to basic methodological debates regarding the study of ideological dynamics.

## 8. CONȚINUTURI

## CONTENT

Curs și seminar Course and seminar	Metode de predare Teaching methods	Observații Observations
<b>1. Introduction</b>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<b>2. Regional uniformities and intra-regional disparities in the historical evolution of Eastern Europe (I)</b> Readings: (2_1) Perry ANDERSON, <i>Passages from Antiquity to Feudalism</i> , London, New Left Books, 1974, part II/ I: "Western Europe"/ chapter 1: "The Feudal Mode of Production"; chpt. 4: "The Feudal Dynamic"; Part II/ II: "Eastern Europe", chapter 1: "East of the Elbe"; chpt. 3: "The Pattern of Development"; chapter 5: "South of the Danube", pp. 147-153, 182-196, 213-216, 229-245, 265-293 (2_2) Ivan T. BEREND, "The Historical Evolution of Eastern Europe as a Region", <i>International Organization</i> 40: 2, 1986, pp. 329-246	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<b>3. Regional uniformities and intra-regional disparities in the historical evolution of Eastern Europe (II)</b> Readings: (3_1) Perry ANDERSON, <i>Lineages of the Absolutist State</i> , London, New Left Books, 1974, Part I: "Western Europe"/ chapter 1: "The Absolutist State in the West"; part. II: "Eastern Europe"/ chapter 1: "The Absolutist State in the East"; chapter 2: "Nobility and Monarchy: the Eastern Variant", pp. 15-42, 195-235 (3_2) Immanuel WALLERSTEIN, <i>The Capitalist World-economy</i> , Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1991 [1979], chapter 1: "The Rise and Future Demise of the World Capitalist System: Concepts for Comparative Analysis"; chapter 2: "Three Paths of National Development in Sixteenth-century Europe", pp. 1-48 (3_3) Michael HECHTER, "Lineages of the Capitalist State", <i>The American Journal of Sociology</i> 85: 2, 1977, pp. 1057-1074	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<b>4. Regional uniformities and intra-regional disparities in the historical evolution of Eastern Europe (III)</b> Readings: (4_1) Tibor SZAMUELY, <i>The Russian Tradition</i> , ed. by Robert Conquest, London, Fontana Press, 1988 [1974], chapter 1: "The Sleeping Past"; chapter 2: "The Mongol Heritage"; chapter 3: "Independence and Despotism"; chapter 4: "The State over Society", pp. 3-64 (4_2) Richard PIPES, <i>Property and Freedom</i> , New York, Vintage Books, 2000, chapter 1: "The Idea of Property"; chapter 4: "Patrimonial Russia", pp. 3-63, 159-208	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<b>5. Regional uniformities and intra-regional disparities in the historical evolution of Eastern Europe (IV)</b> Readings: (5_1) Francis FUKUYAMA, <i>The Origins of Political Order: from Pre-human Times to the French Revolution</i> , New York, Farrar, Strauss and Giroux, 2011, chapter 13: "Slavery and the Muslim Exit from Tribalism"; chapter 14: "The Mamluks Save Islam"; chapter 15: "The Functioning and Decline of the Ottoman State", pp. 189-228 (5_2) Peter F. SUGAR, <i>Southeastern Europe under Ottoman Rule, 1354-1804</i> , Seattle, The University of Washington Pres, 1996 [1977], chapter 2: "Ottoman Social and State Structure", pp. 31-59	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<b>6. Regional uniformities and intra-regional disparities in the historical evolution of Eastern Europe (V)</b> Readings:	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar

<p><b>(6_1)</b> Jenő SZÜCS, "The Three Historical Regions of Europe: an Outline", <i>Acta Historica Academiae Scientiarum Hungaricae</i> 29: 2-4, 1983, pp. 131-184</p> <p><b>(6_2)</b> Maciej JANOWSKI, "Pitfalls and Opportunities: the Concept of East-Central Europe as a Tool of Historical Analysis", <i>European Review of History/ Revue européenne d'histoire</i> 6: 1, 1999, pp. 91-100</p>		
<p><b>7. Ideological dynamic before the impact of the Dual Revolution (I)</b>  <b>Readings:</b>  <b>(7_1)</b> S. V. UTECHIN, <i>Russian Political Thought: a Concise History</i>, New York, Frederick A. Praeger, 1963, chapter 3: "Petrine Russia", pp. 37-70  <b>(7_2)</b> Andrzej WALICKI, <i>The Flow of Ideas: Russian Thought from the Enlightenment to the Religious-Philosophical Renaissance</i>, transl. by Jolanta Kozak and Hilda Andrews-Rusiecka, Frankfurt am Main, Peter Lang, 2015, chapter 1: "Trends and Tendencies in Enlightenment Thought", pp. 29-77</p>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<p><b>8. Ideological dynamic before the impact of the Dual Revolution (II)</b>  <b>Readings:</b>  <b>(8_1)</b> Martin van GELDEREN, Quentin SKINNER, eds., <i>Republicanism: a Shared European Heritage</i>, vol. 1: <i>Republicanism and Constitutionalism in Early Modern Europe</i>, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2002, chapter 3: "Anti-monarchism in Polish Republicanism in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries" (Anna GRZEŚKOWIAK-KRWAWICZ); chapter 8: "Civic Humanism and Republican Citizenship in the Polish Renaissance" (Edward OPALIŃSKI) pp. 43-58, 147-166  <b>(8_2)</b> Ferenc HÖRCHER, Thomas LORMAN, eds., <i>A History of the Hungarian Constitution. Law, Government and Political Culture in Central Europe</i>, London, I. B. Tauris, 2019, chapter 3: "The Birth of the Constitution in Eighteenth Century Hungarian Political Thought" (ISTVÁN SZIJÁRTÓ), pp. 46-62</p>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<p><b>9. The early stages of ideological dynamic after the impact of the Dual Revolution (I)</b>  <b>Readings:</b>  <b>(9_1)</b> Andrew C. JANOS, <i>East Central Europe in the Modern World. The Politics of the Borderlands from Pre- to Post-communism</i>, Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2000, chapter 3: "Liberalism and the Nation State", pp. 54-124  <b>(9_2)</b> Ivan T. BEREND, <i>History Derailed. Central and Eastern Europe in the Long Nineteenth Century</i>, Berkeley, The University of California Press, 2003, chapter 2: "Romanticism and Nationalism in Central and Eastern Europe"; chapter 3: "Uprisings and Reforms: the Struggle for Independence and Modernization", pp. 41-133</p>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<p><b>10. The early stages of ideological dynamic after the impact of the Dual Revolution (II)</b>  <b>Readings:</b>  <b>(10_1)</b> Iván Zoltán DÉNES, "The Value Systems of Liberals and Conservatives in Hungary, 1830-1848", <i>The Historical Journal</i> 36: 4, 1993, pp. 825-850  <b>(10_2)</b> Brian A. PORTER, "The Social Nation and Its Futures: English Liberalism and Polish Nationalism in Late Nineteenth-century Warsaw", <i>The American Historical Review</i> 101: 5, 1996, pp. 1470-1492  <b>(10_3)</b> C. E. BLACK, "The Influence of Western Political Thought in Bulgaria, 1850-1885", <i>The American Historical Review</i> 48: 3, 1943, pp. 507-520</p>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<p><b>11. Varieties of the Left and interpretations of Marxism in the setting of agrarian backwardness (I)</b>  <b>Readings:</b>  <b>(11_1)</b> Andrzej WALICKI, "Russian Social Thought: an Introduction to the Intellectual History of Nineteenth-century Russia", <i>Russian Review</i> 36: 1, 1977, pp. 1-45  <b>(11_2)</b> Traian STOIANOVICH, "The Pattern of Serbian Intellectual Evolution, 1830-1880", <i>Comparative Studies in Society and History</i> 1: 3, 1959, pp. 242-272</p>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<p><b>12. Varieties of the Left and interpretations of Marxism in the setting of agrarian backwardness (II)</b>  <b>Readings:</b>  <b>(12_1)</b> Stefano BIANCHINI, <i>Eastern Europe and the Challenges of Modernity, 1800-2000</i>, transl. by Caroline Kadas, New York, Routledge, 2015, chapter 2: "Capitalism or Rural Socialism? The Dilemmas of Renewal in Russia and the Balkans", pp. 42-63  <b>(12_2)</b> Michael KITCH, "Constantin Stere and Rumanian Populism", <i>The Slavonic and East European Review</i> 53: 131, 1975, pp. 248-271  <b>(12_3)</b> Michael KITCH, "Constantin Dobrogeanu-Gherea and Rumanian Marxism", <i>The Slavonic and East European Review</i> 55: 1, 1977, pp. 65-89</p>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<p><b>13. Leninism and the varieties of interwar right-wing authoritarianism</b>  <b>Readings:</b>  <b>(13_1)</b> Andrew C. JANOS, <i>East Central Europe in the Modern World. The Politics of the Borderlands from Pre- to Post-communism</i>, Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2000, chapter 4: "The Crisis of Liberalism", pp. 125-217  <b>(13_2)</b> Gale STOKES, "The Social Origins of East European Politics", <i>East European Politics and Societies</i> 1: 1, 1986, pp. 30-74</p>	Lecturing & dialogical interaction	2 h course & 1 h seminar
<p><b>14. The peasant question and interwar agrarian politics</b></p>	Lecturing &	2 h course &

<p><b>Readings:</b>  <b>(14_1)</b> Hugh SETON-WATSON, <i>Eastern Europe between the Wars, 1918-1941</i>, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1946 [1945], chapter 4: "The Peasantry", pp. 75-122  <b>(14_2)</b> Stefano BIANCHINI, <i>Eastern Europe and the Challenges of Modernity, 1800-2000</i>, transl. by Caroline Kadas, New York, Routledge, 2015, chapter 3: "The 'Peasant State': Ideology and Politics of Agrarian Movements in Central-Eastern Europe between the Two World Wars", pp. 64-84</p>	dialogical interaction	1 h seminar
<p><b>Bibliografie</b>  Bibliography  ANDERSON, Perry, <i>Passages from Antiquity to Feudalism</i>, London, New Left Books, 1974  ANDERSON, Perry, <i>Lineages of the Absolutist State</i>, London, New Left Books, 1974  BEREND, Ivan T., <i>History Derailed. Central and Eastern Europe in the Long Nineteenth Century</i>, Berkeley, The University of California Press, 2003  BIANCHINI, Stefano, <i>Eastern Europe and the Challenges of Modernity, 1800-2000</i>, transl. by Caroline Kadas, New York, Routledge, 2015  BIDELEUX, Robert and Jan JEFFRIES, <i>A History of Eastern Europe: Crisis and Change</i>, sec. ed., London, Routledge, 2007  JANOS, Andrew C., <i>The Politics of Backwardness in Hungary, 1825-1945</i>, Princeton, Princeton University Press, 1982  JANOS, Andrew C., <i>East Central Europe in the Modern World. The Politics of the Borderlands from Pre- to Post-communism</i>, Stanford, Stanford University Press, 2000  JOWITT, Kenneth, ed., <i>Social Change in Romania, 1860-1940. A Debate on Development in a European Nation</i>, Berkeley, University of California, Institute of International Studies, 1978  KITROMILIDES, Paschalis M., <i>An Orthodox Commonwealth. Symbolic Legacies and Cultural Encounters in Southeastern Europe</i>, Aldershot, Variorum, 2007  PIPES, Richard, <i>Russia under the Old Regime</i>, New York, Charles Scribner's Sons, 1974  PIPES, Richard, <i>Russian Conservatism and Its Critics. A Study in Political Culture</i>, New Haven, Yale University Press, 2005  PORTER, Brian, <i>When Nationalism Began to Hate: Imagining Modern Politics in Nineteenth Century Poland</i>, New York, Oxford University Press, 2000  SETON-WATSON, Hugh, <i>Eastern Europe between the Wars, 1918-1941</i>, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1946 [1945]  SUGAR, Peter F., <i>Southeastern Europe under Ottoman Rule, 1354-1804</i>, Seattle, The University of Washington Press, 1996 [1977]  STOKES, Gale, <i>Politics as Development. The Emergence of Political Parties in Nineteenth-century Serbia</i>, Durham, Duke University Press, 1990  SZAMUELY, Tibor, <i>The Russian Tradition</i>, ed. by Robert Conquest, London, Fontana Press, 1988 [1974]  TODOROVA, Maria, <i>Imagining the Balkans</i>, sec. ed., Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2009  UTECHIN, S. V., <i>Russian Political Thought: a Concise History</i>, New York, Frederick A. Praeger, 1963  WALICKI, Andrzej, <i>The Flow of Ideas: Russian Thought from the Enlightenment to the Religious-Philosophical Renaissance</i>, transl. by Jolanta Kozak and Hilda Andrews-Rusiecka, Frankfurt am Main, Peter Lang, 2015  WALLERSTEIN, Immanuel, <i>The Capitalist World-economy</i>, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1991 [1979]</p>		

## 9. SCURTĂ DESCRIERE\*

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION\*

\* COROBORAREA CONȚINUTURILOR DISCIPLINEI CU AȘTEPTĂRILE REPREZANTANȚILOR COMUNITĂȚII EPISTEMICE, ASOCIAȚIILOR PROFESIONALE ȘI ANGAJATORI REPREZENTATIVI DIN DOMENIUL AFERENT PROGRAMULUI / CORRELATION BETWEEN THE CONTENT OF THE COURSE AND THE NEEDS/EXPECTATIONS OF THE EPISTEMIC COMMUNITY, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION S AND/OR SIGNIFICANT EMPLOYERS RELEVANT FOR THE PROGRAM

The course gives an introduction to the study of the historical patterns of political thought, social criticism and ideological advocacy in Russia, East-Central Europe and the Balkans, against the patterns of long-term historical evolution displayed by the entire Eastern half of the European continent, and respectively by each of the three sub-regions mentioned above separately. The topic of the construction of Eastern Europe as an object of inquiry for the modern international comparative social sciences is treated in conjunction with the problems mentioned, together with relevant methodological departures in the field of the history of political thought and in that of contemporary East European studies. Both uniformities across the region and varieties among sub-regions and national units are targeted throughout the survey

## 10. EVALUARE

### EVALUATION

Tip activitate Activity	10.1 Criterii de evaluare Evaluation criteria	10.2 Metode de evaluare Evaluation methods	10.3 Pondere din nota finală Per cent of final grade
10.4 Curs Course	Coverage of the assigned bibliography and of the additional information taught	Oral exam.	60%
10.5 Seminar Seminar	Coverage of the assigned bibliography.	Essay on the basis of the assigned and supplementary bibliography.	40%
10.6 Standard minim de performanță Threshold for the acquisition of the ECTS credits		Final grade 5 (five)	
<p><b>Students should be aware of the Department's policy of academic integrity: cheating, falsification, forgery, multiple submission, plagiarism, complicity and computer misuse will automatically trigger a failing grade for the respective course. According to the provisions of the Charter of the University of Bucharest, students found guilty of plagiarism can be expelled from the University without the right to appeal.</b></p>			