

Early Modern History (A002680)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 5.0 **Study time 150 h**

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2026-2027

A (semester 1) Dutch Gent independent work
lecture

Lecturers in academic year 2026-2027

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Offered in the following programmes in 2026-2027

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Bachelor of Arts in Art History, Musicology and Theatre Studies	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in History	5	A
Master of Science in Teaching in Languages(main subject African Languages and Cultures)	5	A
Master of Science in Teaching in Arts and Humanities (main subject Archaeology)	5	A
Master of Science in Teaching in Arts and Humanities (main subject Art History, Musicology and Theatre Studies)	5	A
Master of Science in Teaching in Languages(main subject East European Languages and Cultures)	5	A
Master of Science in Teaching in Languages(main subject Oriental Languages and Cultures)	5	A
Linking Course Master of Arts in History	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in History	5	A
Elective Set History	5	A

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

History, 16-18th centuries, Europe, European colonial world.

Position of the course

This introductory course unit seeks to familiarise students with the history of Europe and Europe's overseas expansion in the 16th-18th centuries.

Contents

A general survey of the major political, intellectual, social, economic and religious developments in Europe. Special attention will be given to the European overseas expansion and its consequences.

Initial competences

No specific initial competences required.

Final competences

- 1 Have proficient knowledge of the historical terminological framework, the most important historical facts, and historical explanations.
- 2 Have a referential framework regarding the history the Netherlands and Belgium in an international context.
- 3 Have a referential framework for the early modern period.
- 4 Have the ability to critically reflect upon the role of the global perspective, the dynamics of processes, and recurrences in historical situations.
- 5 Have the ability to interpret contemporary developments from a historical-comparative perspective.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

Teaching methods

Lecture, Independent work

Extra information on the teaching methods

The lessons for this course consist of lectures, in which, however, an active and critical participation of the students is highly appreciated. Part of the learning material must be processed independently.

Recordings of the lessons are made available after lesson 6 and lesson 12 in order to facilitate the processing of the course material.

Study material

Type: Handbook

Name: Early Modern Europe 1450-1789

Indicative price: € 40

Optional: no

Language : English

Author : Merry Wiesner-Hanks

ISBN : 978-1-00916-080-3

Number of Pages : 574

Oldest Usable Edition : 2023

Online Available : Yes

Available in the Library : Yes

Available through Student Association : Yes

Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : regularly

Usability and Lifetime within the Study Programme : regularly

Usability and Lifetime after the Study Programme : occasionally

Type: Slides

Name: Slides classes

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Language : Dutch

Available on Ufora : Yes

Online Available : No

Available in the Library : No

Available through Student Association : No

References

Course content-related study coaching

Questions can be asked by e-mail.

Assessment moments

end-of-term assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

Extra information on the examination methods

Assessment moment

Periodical: exam (100%).

Assessment form

Written exam. Open and closed questions, on insight as well as on knowledge.

Calculation of the examination mark

100% periodical evaluation.

Facilities for Working Students

- 1 Possible exemption from educational activities requiring student attendance during the possible lessons on campus.
 - 2 Possible rescheduling of the examination to a different time in the same academic year.
 - 3 Feedback can be given during an appointment during or after office hours.
- For more information concerning flexible learning: contact the monitoring service of the faculty of Arts and philosophy