

## Trends in Historiography (A006728)

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

**Credits 5.0**

**Study time 150 h**

**Course offerings in academic year 2026-2027**

A (semester 2)

Dutch

Gent

**Lecturers in academic year 2026-2027**

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lecturer-in-charge

**Offered in the following programmes in 2026-2027**

	<b>crdts</b>	<b>offering</b>
<a href="#">Bachelor of Arts in Oriental Languages and Cultures(main subject Arabic and Islamic Studies)</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Bachelor of Arts in History</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Teaching in Languages(main subject African Languages and Cultures)</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Teaching in Arts and Humanities (main subject Art History, Musicology and Theatre Studies)</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Teaching in Languages(main subject East European Languages and Cultures)</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Master of Science in Teaching in Languages(main subject Oriental Languages and Cultures)</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Linking Course Master of Arts in History</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Preparatory Course Master of Arts in History</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Elective Set History</a>	5	A

### Teaching languages

Dutch

### Keywords

Historiography - Social Sciences

### Position of the course

This advanced course will help students gain an understanding into the history of historiography (including recent developments in this area) and in its connection with other social sciences. The course shows how to situate historical studies within society.

### Contents

The course provides an overview of developments in pre modern and modern historiography. The first part of the course offers a comparative analysis of Western, Islamic and Chinese historiography. The second part focusses upon modern Western historiography in the nineteenth and twentieth century. The third part focuses on postmodern historiography in the late twentieth- and early twentyfirst century

### Initial competences

To have successfully completed the course Historical Criticism or to have acquired the necessary skills by other means.

### Final competences

- 1 To have knowledge of evolutions and movements within historiography and of recent debates about this subject.
- 2 To be able to interpret and contextualise historical research and historical acting within society.
- 3 To understand the interaction between historiography and other social sciences.

**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

**Extra information on the teaching methods**

Lectures and group discussions of samples of primary sources. Communication via UFORA.

**Study material**

Type: Handbook

Name: Historiography in the Twentieth Century: From Scientific Objectivity to the Postmodern Challenge

Indicative price: € 20

Optional: no

Language : English

Author : Georg G. Iggers

ISBN : 0-8195-6766-3

Number of Pages : 120

Alternative : nvt

Oldest Usable Edition : 2005 [tweede, herwerkte editie]

Online Available : No

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 : not

**References**

No specific required reading

**Course content-related study coaching**

Possibility for consultations on Wednesday after class or by appointment.

**Assessment moments**

end-of-term assessment

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

Written assessment with open-ended questions

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

Written assessment with open-ended questions

**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 (100%)

*Assessment form*

Written exam with 4 open questions about the subject matter.

**Calculation of the examination mark**

Written exam (100%)

**Facilities for Working Students**

Facilities:

1 Possible exemption from educational activities requiring student attendance

2 Possible rescheduling of the examination to a different time in the same academic year

3 Feedback can be given during an appointment during office hours

For more information contact the monitoring service of the faculty of Arts and

philosophy: <https://www.ugent.be/lw/nl/student/studiestudentenbegeleiding/trajectbegeleiding.htm>