

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

# 1. Information about the programme

<b>1.1</b> Institution of higher education	Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi
1.2 Faculty	Faculty of Economics and Business Administration
1.3 Department	Department of Economics and International Relations
<b>1.4</b> Field of study	Economics
1.5 Level	Undergraduate
1.6 Study programme/ Qualification	Economics and Finance

## 2. Information about the course

2.1 Course name		History	History of Economic Thought II					
2.2 Course coordinator			Pro	f. Gab	riel Mursa, Ph.D.			
2.3 Seminar coordinator			Pro	f. Gab	riel Mursa, Ph.D.			
2.4 Year of study 2 2.5 Semes		ter	2	2.6 Type of	M	2.7 Discipline status	C	
					assessment			

<sup>\*</sup> C – Compulsory / E - Elective

## **3. Total estimated time** (hours alloted to didactic activity per semester)

3.1 Total number of hours per week	4	of which: 3.2	2	3.3 seminar/lab	1	
		lecture				
3.4 Total number of hours in the	42	of which: 3.5	28	3.6 seminar/lab	14	
curriculum		lecture				
Time distribution						
Study of the handbook, coursebook, bibliography and notes						
Additional research in the library, online and on the field						
Preparation of seminars/labs, homework, projects, portfolios and essays						
Tutorials						
Assessment						
Other activities						

3.7 Total number of self-study	94
hours	
3.9 Total number of hours per	150
semester	
3. 10 Number of credits	5

#### **4. Prerequisites** (if applicable)

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4.1 curriculum- • History of Economic Thought I							
based	1						
4.2	competence-	•	Not applicable				
based	1						

# **5. Conditions** (if applicable)





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5.1. for lectures	•	Students will attend lectures.
5.2. for seminars/labs	•	Seminar rooms shall be provided with OHP
	•	The project presentation deadline shall be agreed upon by both sides at the beginning of the activity.  Students' attendance is compulsory.

## 6. Assimilated specific competences

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Professional competences	<ul> <li>C1.1. Defining economic-financial concepts, theories, methods and tools (1 credit).</li> <li>C1.3. Applying economic-financial concepts, theories and tools in order to solve specific problems (1,5 credits).</li> <li>C1.4. Comparative analysis of the concepts and theories in the field in order to appreciate the quality, merits and limits of some processes, programmes, projects, concepts, methods and theories (1,5 credits)</li> </ul>
Transversal competences	<ul> <li>CT1. Application of the principles, norms and values of the professional code of ethics in students' own rigorous, efficient and responsible work strategy. (0,5 credits)</li> <li>CT 2. Identification of roles and responsibilities in a multispecialized team and application of networking and efficient work techniques within the team. (0,5 credits)</li> </ul>

#### 7. Discipline objectives (provided by the assimilated specific competences grid)

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7.1 The general objective of the discipline	Forming a broad economic culture and developing the capacity of economic reasoning.			
7.2 Specific objectives	<ul> <li>to provide students with criteria and models for analysis and evaluation;</li> <li>to develop the ability to work well with economic concepts, to make clear distinction between different currents of economic thought, to establish relationships between theory and practice;</li> <li>to integrate the knowledge gained by the students to their entire system of judgments and to develop interdisciplinary solutions;</li> <li>developing and using the skills of cooperation and joint activity to solve a task, to make decisions, to assume responsibility and so on;</li> <li>to use acquired knowledge to critically analyze, evaluate and interpret ideas and new knowledge;</li> <li>to empower students' own cognitive approach, forming their own beliefs and views about various economic schools of thought;</li> <li>to use acquired knowledge for proposing normative solutions.</li> </ul>			

## 8. Content

8. 1 Lecture	Teaching methods	Observations
Neoclassicism	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture



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	conversation	
Austrian School of Economics	Presentation, debate,	3 lectures
	conversation	
Keynesianism	Presentation, debate,	2 lectures
	conversation	
The evolution of liberalism	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
	conversation	
Neoliberalism	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
	conversation	
Chicago School of economics	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
	conversation	
Monetarism	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
	conversation	
The theory of human capital	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
	conversation	
Public Choice	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
	conversation	
Supply-side economics	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
	conversation	
J. A. Schumpeter – a challenge for economic science and	Presentation, debate,	1 lecture
doctrine	conversation	

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- Huerta de Soto, J., *The Austrian School. Market Order and Entrepreneurial Creativity*, IEA, Edward Elgar Pub, 2008.
- Keynes, J. M., The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money, Stellar Classics, 2016.
- Mises, Ludwig von, *Human Action*, Ludwig von Mises Institute, 1998.
- Robbins, L. et al., A History of Economic Thought, Princeton University Press, 2000;
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8. 2 Seminar/lab	Teaching methods	Observations
Keynesianism	Debate, questioning,	1 seminar
	project, book review	
Neoliberalism	Debate, questioning,	1 seminars
	project, book review	
Ludwig von Misses critique towards totalitarism, socialism,	Debate, questioning,	1 seminars
interventionism and mixed economy	project, book review	
The liberal economic philosophy of F.A. Hayek	Debate, questioning,	1 seminars
	project, book review	
Chicago School of economics	Debate, questioning,	1 seminar
	project, book review	
Milton Friedman and monetarism	Debate, questioning,	1 seminar
	project, book review	





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The theory of human capital	Debate, questioning, project, book review	1 seminar

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# 9. Corroboration of the discipline content with the expectations of epistemic community representatives, professional associations as well as of representative employers in the programme related field.

• The content of this discipline has been decided upon by taking into account both the curricula of some prestigious Western Universities and the demands of the economic environment.

#### 10. Assessment

Type of activity	10.1 Assessment criteria	10.2 Assessment methods	10.3 Share of final grade
10.4 Lecture	<ul> <li>- assimilation of knowledge on the evolution of economic thought</li> <li>- understanding and use of the main concepts</li> </ul>	Exam – classic test	50%
10.5 Seminar/lab	- capacity to argue for and against within seminar debates	Oral evaluation during the seminars	20%
	- ability to work on and present a book review	Individual project (book review)	30%
10.6 Minimum performance standard			

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• One group project and a book review from the selected bibliography.

Date of completion Lecture Coordinator Seminar Coordinator 30.10.2018 Prof. Gabriel Mursa, Ph.D. Prof. Gabriel Mursa, Ph.D.

Date of approval within the department
30.09.2018

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