

Course Metadata

RUSSIAN HISTORY

Tomsk Polytechnic University
Institute of Humanities, Social Sciences and Technologies
Department of History and Regional Studies

Level: bachelor students

Course: RUSSIAN HISTORY

Study time allocation: 108 hours (contact hours: 32 (lectures – 16 hours, seminars - 16 hours), private study hours: 76).

Credit points: 4.

Semester: 1.

Assessment method: Exam

Mode of study: full-time attendance

Module overview: Russian history is essential to understanding Russian culture and society. The subject integrates special aspects of Russian history and common factors of World historical process. Having successfully completed this module, you will be able to: perform research and teaching activities on historical, cultural and political issues; carry out information and analytical activities; apply principles of historical process to organizational and administrative activity; develop your personal qualities which necessary for the realization of professional activities: tolerance, the culture of speech and thinking, adherence to diplomatic etiquette, social responsibility, the desire for self-development, professional duty, creativity.

Key words: history, Russia, methodology of history, historical process.

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RUSSIA IN WORLD HISTORY

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Aims and Objectives

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Knowledge and Understanding

Having successfully completed this course, you will be able to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of:

- the basic principles of the historical process of countries and regions,
- methodology of Russian history,
- stages and special characteristics of Russian history,
- impact of historical peculiarities on modern Russian political and social system,
- major historical and cultural theories of the dynamics of historical processes;

Transferable and Generic

Having successfully completed this course, you will be able to:

- Communicate work in written reports,
- Study and learn independently.

Subject Specific Practical

Having successfully completed this course, you will be able to:

- analyze historical trends in the regional and country level,
- identify general and special features in history and culture of different countries and regions;
- use special historical knowledge in professional activity,
- apply conceptual and terminological apparatus of historical science to the solution of professional tasks.

Learning Outcomes

- the readiness to information and analytical activities to the solution of organizational and professional tasks;
- the ability to perform research and learning activities on historical and cultural issues;
- the ability to demonstrate personal qualities which necessary for the realization of professional activities: tolerance, the culture of speech and thinking, adherence to diplomatic etiquette, social responsibility, the desire for self-development, professional duty, patriotism, creativity.

Syllabus

Unit 1: Introduction (1 lecture, 1 seminar) The history in the social sciences and humanities. Basics of the methodology of historical science

Unit 2: The world and Russia in ancient times and the Middle Ages (1 lecture, 1 seminar) The territory of Russia in the Ancient World. Middle Ages as the stage of

history in Western Europe, in the East and in Russia. The Old Russian State: features social and political development.

Unit 3: Russia in the 16th – 17th centuries in the context of European civilization (1 lecture, 1 seminar) The 16th and 17th centuries in world history. Ivan the Terrible: the search for alternative ways of socio-political development of Russia. Socio-economic and political processes in the Moscow State in the 17th century.

Unit 4: Russia and the World in the 18th -19th centuries (2 lectures, 2 seminars) The 18th and 19th centuries in European and World history. Speeding up the process of industrialization in the 19th century and its political, economic, social and cultural consequences. Modernization in Russia in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Unit 5: Russia and the World in the 20th - beginning of 21th century (3 lectures, 3 seminars) The world at the beginning of the 20th century. Russia at the turn of epochs. Soviet Russia. The globalization of the world economic, political and cultural space. Russia and the World in the 21th century.