

Course: Political Science
Bachelor, master students and specialists

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Working hours:

Credits - 3

Class work - 32

Lectures - 16

Seminars – 16

Prerequisites: history, basics of scientific research.

Goals are

- the readiness to organizational and administrative activity;
- the ability to carry out information and analytical activities;
- the ability to perform research and teaching activities on political issues;
- the development of 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.

A graduate should:

- know:
 - the basic principles of the political system of countries and regions,
 - methodology of knowledge of political reality,
 - the place and role of political culture in the political system and the organization of power,
 - major political theories of the dynamics of political processes;
- be able to:
 - analyze the current political trends in the regional and country level, taking into account the historical perspective,
 - identify general and special features in the political culture of different countries and regions;
- be ready to:
 - use special political knowledge in professional activity,
 - apply conceptual and terminological apparatus of political science to the solution of professional tasks.

Syllabus:

Introduction in the course

1. Political science as an academic discipline and research area. The world of politics.
2. The evolution of ideas about politics.
3. Theories of political power and political systems.
4. The institutions of the political system.
5. The political regime and the political process.
6. Social and cultural aspects of the politics.
7. International politics.

Forms of individual student's work:

- analysis of scientific publications on the topic,
- search, analysis, structuring and presentation of information,
- search and review of the literature and electronic information sources on an individual issue.

Current assessment:

- performance of individual tasks,
- development and presentation of creative projects,
- execution of practical tasks and case-studies,
- participation of students in scientific discussions.

Final assessment:

Exam is carried out in form of the test