

Tárgytematika / Course Description

Regional Studies

KGNB_RKTA002

Tárgyfelelős neve /

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Félév / Semester: 2020/21/2

Beszámolási forma /

Assesment: Vizsga

Tárgy heti óraszám /

Teaching hours(week): 2/0/0

Tárgy féléves óraszám /

Teaching hours(sem.): 0/0/0

OKTATÁS CÉLJA / AIM OF THE COURSE

1. Introduction to the PG: Political geography – geopolitics Evolution, main ideas. Regions, State; Territory and territoriality; Nation; Identity and citizenship
2. Europe and its subdivisions. Central Europe, Balkan and Southeast Europe
3. Russia and East Europe and the Caucasus region
4. Middle East and North Africa I. History, geography and culture
5. Middle East and North Africa II. Contemporary conflicts
6. Central Asia
7. South and Southeast Asia. The role of India in the World politics
8. China and its development - from regional and global perspective
9. Japan and the Korean peninsula
10. Sub-Saharan Africa (subdivision, cultures, history, political development, conflicts)
11. Latin America (history, geography, economic growth, and conflicts)
12. North America and the change of its role in the world politics
13. Pacific Ocean, Australia and New Zealand
14. Geopolitical specialties of Polar Regions and high seas

TANTÁRGY TARTALMA / DESCRIPTION

Lessons introduce the main political/geopolitical regions (both historically and in the contemporary period) involving results of different disciplines. The course gives a broad interdisciplinary perspective on the geographies, cultures, histories, and politics of different regions of the World.

SZÁMONKÉRÉSI ÉS ÉRTÉKELÉSI RENDSZERE / ASSESSMENT'S METHOD

- 1) Project work in a student group (max. 2-3 persons);

KÖTELEZŐ IRODALOM / OBLIGATORY MATERIAL

Tim Marshall (2015) *Prisoners of geography: ten maps that tell you everything you need to know about global politics*. London: Elliott & Thompson. 2015. 245pp. ISBN 978 1 78396 141 2.

Available as e-book <https://www.scribd.com/>

Other literature to learn more...

Colin Flint, Peter J. Taylor (2007) *Political Geography: World-economy, Nation-state, and Locality*. Pearson Education; Gray, Colin S. (1999). *Geopolitics, Geography and Strategy*. London, United Kingdom: Routledge

Lacoste, Yves (1995) *Dictionnaire de Geopolitique*. Édition mise a jour. Flammarion, Paris; Halpern, Manfred. *Politics of Social Change: In the Middle East and North Africa* (Princeton University Press, 2015); Cleveland, William L., and Martin Bunton. *A history of the modern Middle East* (Westview Press, 2016); Aslund, Anders: *Review: Pekka Sutela, The Political Economy of Putin's Russia*. London, UK and New York, NY: Routledge, 2012; Chao, Chien-min – Dickson, Bruce J.(eds.): *Remaking the Chinese State. Strategies, Society, and Security*. Routledge, London and New York, 2001; Harrison, S. – Kreisberg P. – Kux D./eds./: *India and Pakistan. The First Fifty Years*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1999; Soucek, Svatopluk. *A History of Inner Asia*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2000; Rall, Ted. *Silk Road to Ruin: Is Central Asia the New Middle East?* New York: NBM Publishing, 2006; Stone, L.A. *The International Politics of Central Eurasia* (272 pp). *Central Eurasian Studies On Line: Accessible via the Web Page of the International Eurasian Institute for Economic and Political Research: <http://www.iicas.org/forumen.htm>*; Jelavich, Barbara (1983a). *History of the Balkans: Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries*. 1. Cambridge University Press; Jelavich, Barbara (1983b). *History of the Balkans: Twentieth Century*. 2. Cambridge University Press; Mazower, Mark (2000). *The Balkans: A Short History*. *Modern Library Chronicles*. New York: Random House; Osborne, Milton (2010; first published in 1979). *Southeast Asia: An Introductory History* Allen & Unwin; Chido, Diane E. *From Chaos to Cohesion: A Regional Approach to Security, Stability, and Development in Sub-Saharan Africa*. Carlisle, Pa.: Strategic Studies Institute and U.S. Army War College Press, 2013; Shillington, Kevin(2005). *History of Africa, Rev. 2nd Ed*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan