DEPARTMENT OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

TEACHING COMMITMENT: 12 hours

COURSE TITLE
Spatial and Environmental History

TEACHING PERIOD
2nd term

SCIENTIFIC AREA
History

LANGUAGE USED TO TEACH
English

COURSE SUMMARY
How did states ruled and/or transformed natural resources and the spatial configuration of territory? How did geography and the character of the natural environment shaped or interacted with the evolution of societies and polities? The purpose of this course is to address these general issues by examining selected historical case/cases within the broader scope of environmental and spatial history. Emphasis is placed on non–European historical–geographical contexts, encouraging the examination of entanglements and comparisons among different areas.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
Awareness of the methodological and interpretative peculiarities of environmental and spatial history. Critical understanding of the main historiographical issues concerning the relevant case study addressed in the course.
TUTORSHIP ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)
Course activity may include tutorship at the master level and within the PhD program in History (Dottorato in Scienze Archeologiche, Storiche e Storico–Artistiche), as well as in the International Doctoral Program in Global History of Empires.

LAB ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)

OTHER ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)
One seminar will be offered to students enrolled in the History Ph.D. program (Dottorato in Scienze Archeologiche, Storiche e Storico–Artistiche) and the International Doctoral Program in Global History of Empires.

VISITING PROFESSOR PROFILE DESCRIPTION
University professor with a solid, internationally–recognized research experience. Previous positions as visiting professor in international universities and research institutions will be preferred.

Teaching areas: history, area studies, global history, comparative and transnational history.

Research areas: solid competence in a specific historical/geographic area with disposition to the comparative or global dimensions (e.g. transnational entanglements, cultural and institutional transfers, mutual imagery, frontier exchanges).

Language skills: must be fluent in English at academic level.

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