

**Faculty of International Economics and Administration**  
**Department of International Economics and Politics**  
**Professional Area: 3.3 Political Science**  
**Major: International relations**  
**Educational-and-qualification degree: Bachelor**

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

1. Course unit title: History of political Ideas part I
2. Course unit code: POL 1085
3. Type of course: compulsory
4. Level of course unit: Bachelor
5. Year of study: first
6. Semester when the course unit is delivered: second
7. Number of ECTS credits allocated: 4.5
8. Name of lecturer(s): Assoc Prof. Kaloyan Smilkov, PhD
9. Learning outcomes of the course unit: Students are offered key points of political thought, schools and tendencies of political ideas. The nature and stages of politics and more specifically in the field of political norms. Acquisition of knowledge by students on basic theoretical issues related to political ideas. Developing knowledge and skills to select and analyze a certain amount of information, and also the formation of habits for research work and public appearances.
10. Mode of delivery: face-to-face.
  11. Prerequisites and co-requisites: Philosophy
  12. Course contents: the meaning of the approach is explained in terms of cultural specificity and typology. The period covers both classical Greek antiquity and Chinese political ideas, as well as the political teachings of ancient India. Attention is also paid to political ideas in Egypt and Babylon. The main emphasis is on Greek Antiquity. The works of Plato, "The State", and Aristotle's "Politics" are thoroughly studied. The ethico-political concepts of the Roman theorists Cicero, Quintilian, Seneca, and Marcus Aurelius are studied in detail along with their collisions, moral values and external dimensions of political efficacy. The way political ideas of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance consider the Christianization of the Late Antiquity, the symbiosis and collisions between the Greco-Roman heritage and political perceptions of the first Christians are a subject of studies as well.
  13. Bibliography (recommended or required reading):

Аристотел. Политика. С., 1995  
Платон. Държавата. С., 1975  
Смилков, К. Властта и Човекът. С., 2011  
Шатле, Ф., О.Дюамел, Е.Пизие. История на политическите идеи. С., 1998  
Милър, Д., Джанет Колман, Уилям Кокъли, Алън Райън. Енциклопедия на политическата мисъл–Блекуел. С., 1997
14. Planned learning activities and teaching methods: visualization of the learning process.
15. Assessment methods and criteria: through tests.
  16. Language of instruction: Bulgarian
  17. Work placement(s): none