

Academic Year: 2017/2018		
Course: Political Geography		
Coordinator: Jorge Malheiros		
Teaching Staff: Jorge Malheiros		
ECTS: 6	Weekly Hours: 4h	Typology: Theoretical / practical classes
Contents		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Space and power: Conflict and negotiation. Territories and frontiers. Political Geography and Geopolitics. Democracy and citizenship: Participation and representation at the national and sub-national levels. Political parties and social movements. Elections. The modern state advent: State and society. Evolution of state forms and functions. Globalization and challenges to modern Nation-States. Global Governance: main actors and strategies. Geoeconomics, Geostrategy and Geography of War and Peace. 		
Objectives and skills		
<p>Objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the geographical expression of power relations and the role of space in shaping and transforming these relations. Discuss the relationship between the state and society, its evolution and future prospects. Interpret and discuss the electoral processes and results. Understand the politics and policies at different geographical scales. <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analysis, critical discussion and application of fundamental concepts of Political Geography Questioning and problematizing challenges and problems of political geography from real cases. Communication of learning. 		
References		
<p>Agnew, J. A., Mitchell, K., & Toal, G. (Eds.). (2008). <i>A companion to political geography</i>. John Wiley & Sons.</p> <p>Barnett C, Low M (2004) <i>Spaces of Democracy. Geographical Perspectives on Citizenship, Participation and Representation</i>. Londres: SAGE Publications Ltd.</p> <p>Dias, C.M.M (2010) <i>Geopolítica. Teorização Clássica e Ensinos</i>. Lisboa, Prefáci</p> <p>Flint C, Taylor P (2007) <i>Political Geography: World Economy, Nation-State and Locality</i>, 5a edição. Edimburgo: Pearson Education Ltd.</p> <p>Painter J, Jeffrey A (2009) <i>Political Geography</i>. Londres: SAGE Publications Ltd.</p> <p>Warf B, Leib J (2011) <i>Revitalizing Electoral Geography</i>. Farnham: Ashgate e-book.</p>		
Knowledge evaluation methods and their partial grades		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team work (groups of 3 people) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research Plan and Methods of Data Collection (4 pages): 15% Report and Oral Presentation: (15 pages): 35% Written Test: 45% Attendance, participation and learning progresses: 5% 		