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**Bachelor Degree
History
Academic Curriculum**

FIRST YEAR

	Code	Modules	Hours per week		Methods of controlling		ECTS		
			1 term	2 term	Credit	Exam	1 term	2 term	per year
1	A1	History of Belarus (100000 – 35000 BC – XIII c.)	2	4	–	1,2	3	7	10
2	A2	Ancient History	7	–	–	1	12	–	12
3	A5	Archeology. Prehistoric Age. Archeology of Belarus	4	2	–	1,2	7	3	10
4	A7	History of Eastern Slavs of the IX–XVIII c.	3	4	2	1	5	7	12
5	A12	Ethnology. Ethnography of Belarus	2	2	1	2	3	3	6
6	A6	Special Historical Disciplines. Fundamentals of Paleography	2	–	1	–	3	–	3
7	A21	Fundamentals of Informational Science	2	2	1,2	–	3	3	6
8	A3	Medieval History	–	7	–	2	–	12	12
9	A14	Source Studies. Source Studies of Belarusian History	–	3	–	2	–	5	5
10	A15	Theory and History of Culture	–	2	2	–	–	3	3
11	B1	Archeological Internship (optional)	–	4weeks	2	–	–	4	4
12	B2	Ethnographical Internship (optional)	–	4weeks	2	–	–	4	4
Total for term:			22	26/8			36	51	
Total for year:					8	9			83

SECOND YEAR

	Code	Modules	Hours per week		Methods of controlling		ECTS		
			3 term	4 term	Credit	Exam	3 term	4 term	per year
1	A1	History of Belarus of the XVI-XIX c.	4	4	–	3,4	7	7	14
2	A8	Early Modern History	7	–	–	3	12	–	12
3	A9	Modern History (1918-1945)	–	4	–	4	–	7	7
4	A7	History of Eastern Slavs of the XIX c.	4	4	–	3,4	7	7	14
5	A16	Fundamentals of Archive Studies	1	–	3	–	2	–	2
6	A17	Fundamentals of Museum Studies	1	–	3	–	2	–	2
7	A21	Fundamentals of Information Science and Data Pins Technologies	2	–	–	3	–	–	3
8	A10	History of Asia and Africa of the V-XX c.	–	4	4	–	–	7	7
9	A14	Source Studies. Source Studies of Belarusian History	4	–	–	3	7	–	7
10	A15	Theory and History of Culture	2	4	3	4	3	7	10
11	A13	History of Southern and Western Slavs of the IX-XVIII c.	–	6	4	–	–	10	10
12	A24	Philosophy	2	2	3	4	3	3	6
13	A25	Economy	2	2	3	4	3	3	6
14	B3	Archival-Museum Internship	–	4weeks	4	–	–	4	4
Total for term:			29	30/4			46	51	
Total for year:					8	11			104

THIRD YEAR

	Code	Modules	Hours per week.		Methods of controlling		ECTS		
			5 term	6 term	Credit	Exam	5 term	6 term	per year
1	A1	History of Belarus of 1900 – the Beginning of XXI c.	4	4	–	5,6	7	7	14
2	A11	History of Latin-American Civilization (Early Modern and Modern History)	2	2	5	6	3	3	6
3	A9	Modern History (1945 – the Beginning of XXI c.)	4	–	–	5	7	–	7
4	A7	History of Eastern Slavs (XX c.)	3	3	–	5,6	5	5	10
8	A10	History of Asia and Africa (1918 – the Beginning of XXI c.)	2	2	5	6	3	3	6
10	A15	Theory and History of Culture	2	2	5,6	–	3	3	6
11	A13	History of Southern and Western Slavs of the XIX-XX c.	4	–	–	5	7	–	7
12	A4	History of Religions	–	3	6	–	–	5	5
13	A23	Pedagogics. Methods of Teaching History. General and Age-Specific Psychology	4	3		5,6	7	5	12
14	A6	Special Historical Discipline Numismatics	–	3	6	–	–	5	5
15	B4	Information Technological Internship	–	4weeks	6	–	–	4	4
Total for term:			25	22/4			42	40	
Total for year:					7	10			82

FOURTH YEAR

	Code	Modules	Hours per week		Methods of controlling		ECTS		
			7 term	8 term	Credit	Exam	7 term	8 term	per year
1	A26	Science of Politics	3	–	7	–	5	–	5
2	A18	History of Historical Conceptions	2	2	7	8	3	3	6
3	A15	Theory and History of Culture	3	–	–	7	5	–	5
4	A1	History of Public Movements and Political Parties of Belarus	2	2	7	8	3	3	6
5	A19	Methodology of History	–	3	–	8	–	5	5
6	A20	Historical Psychology	2	2	7	8	3	3	6
7	A22	Historical Information Science	2	–	7	–	3	–	3
8	B5	Pedagogical Internship	6weeks	4weeks	7	8	6	4	10
Total for term:			14/6	9/4			28	18	
Total for year:					6	6			46

3-4 years

Optional modules 5-8 terms

Modules on Disciplines of Specialization

Historiography of Belarus
History of Culture of Belarus
Historiography of Archaeology of Belarus
Methods of Archaeological Research
Field Archaeology
Special Historical Disciplines
Social and Cultural Anthropology
Theory of Political Decision-Making
Theory of International Relations
History of Political and Law Doctrines

Modules on Specialization Disciplines at Departments

Chair of Ancient and Medieval History of Belarus

Chair of Modern History of Belarus

Chair of Ancient and Medieval History

Chair of Modern History

Chair of Russian History

Chair of Southern and Western Slavs History

Chair of Source Studies

Chair of Archaeology

Chair of Ethnology, Museum Studies and History of Arts

Remarks

ECTS

European Credit Transfer System

**Bachelor Degree
History
Academic Program**

FIRST YEAR

Lectures: 58 Seminars: 30	A1	The History of Belarus (100-35 thousand years B.C. – the 16th cent.).	ECTS: 10
Goals	Studying History of Belarus from ancient times till the end of the 16 th cent., the emergence of early feudal state formations, representative class- monarchy in the Grand Duchy of Lithuania.		
Contents	The issues of establishing the History of Belarus as a science, of formation of ancient societies on the territory of Belarus, formation and development of feudal, ethno-social and ethno-confessional relations in the medieval epoch are studied.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, tests, controlled works, creative tasks.		
Methods of controlling	2 examinations, controlled work, creative tasks		
Department in charge:	Chair of Ancient and Medieval History of Belarus		

Lectures: 68 Seminars: 36	A2	The History of Ancient World.	ECTS: 12
Goals	The issues of the formation of ancient civilizations are studied, the concept of social relations in ancient and old eastern societies, their basic features and principal differences are formed.		
Contents	The concept of formation of ancient civilizations in the valleys of great rivers is formed. The emergence and formation of the first civilizations of Europe – the Ancient Greece and the Ancient Rome are studied.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Exam, controlled work, final written work.		
Department in	Chair of Ancient and Medieval History		

charge:			
Lectures: 46 Seminars: 12	A5	Archeology. The History of the Prehistoric Society. Archeology of Belarus.	ECTS: 10
Goals	To give a notion of archeology as a basic part of historic science, to introduce them to sources and methods of archeological researches, archeological periodization, main stages and archeological cultures in the world history as a whole and the Belarusian history in particular.		
Contents	The concept of archeological culture and main methodological devices of archeological research are given. All the periods of human history: stone, bronze, iron centuries and early Middle Ages, and also main archeological cultures connected with these periods are studied. The greatest attention is given to archeological cultures on the territory of Belarus.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, laboratory works.		
Methods of controlling	2 examinations, testing.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Archaeology		

Lectures: 62 Seminars: 36	A7	The History of the Eastern Slavs of the IXth – XVIIIth cent.	ECTS: 12
Goals	To learn and master the event-methodological device of the history of genesis and development of ethnic and public forms, statehood и and its political institutes, economical activity and culture of the Eastern European folk in the IX th – XVIII th cent.		
Contents	The origin and formation of ethno-cultural processes on the territory of Eastern Europe. Prehistory and history of the first state formations. Kiev Russia. Political, economic and cultural processes in the XII th – XIV th cent. The church and religious factor in public and political life. The Grand Duchy of Moskovia: the character, causes and consequences of its interior and exterior politics. The establishment of the imperial form of rule. The essence and peculiarities of the social structure: its manifestation in political, economic life and culture. «Smuta» (“Disturbance”) in the Russian State (causes and consequences). The first stages of Ukrainian statehood. Hetmanship. The Empire period in the history of Russian statehood. Inclusion of the whole territory of Eastern Europe in Russian state. Russia as the main subject of world political		

	system. Modernizing processes in Russian economy in the XVIII th cent. The phenomenon of Russian culture. The objective and the subjective in Russian-Ukrainian history.
Academic methods	Lectures, seminars, monitored independent work, tests, historiographic and source study papers, essays.
Methods of controlling	Examination, credit, 2 papers, 2 controlled works, 2 essays.
Department in charge:	Chair of Russian History

Lectures: 42 Seminars: 26	A12	Ethnology. Ethnography of Belarus.	ECTS: 6
Goals	To introduce students to the history of emergence of ethnology as a science, main ethnological schools, problems of ethnogenesis, ethnic history, material and spiritual culture of the world nations. The concept of the emergence and development of the Belarusian ethnology, formation of peculiarities of the Belarusian ethnos, its traditional culture is also given.		
Contents	The Module gives a concept of Ethnology history as a science. The main schools and directions of ethnology, classifications of world nations are studied. Students acquire the knowledge of ethnogenesis and ethnic history of the world nations. The concept of traditions, customs of the nations, the ways of formation of ethnic diversity of the world nations is given. The Module represents the history of ethnographic study of Belarus, examines the basic periods of historiography, investigates the problems of ethnogenesis and ethnic history of Belarus, surveys the peculiarities of material, spiritual and social culture of the Belarusians.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars.		
Methods of controlling	2 examinations, credit, tests, papers' writing, final written work.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Ethnology, Museum Studies and History of Arts		

Lectures: 12 Seminars: 8	A6	Special Historical Disciplines. The Fundamentals of Paleography.	ECTS: 3
Goals	The formation of skills of correct reading and understanding of the texts of the XI th – XVII th cent, mastering the devices of their dating.		

Contents	The objectives, subject and methods of paleography; the history of studying the Belarusian paleography, the origin of cyrillics; the exterior signs of monuments of writing of the periods of the XI th – the beginning of the XII th cent.; the XII th – the end of the XIV th cent.; the end of the XIV th – XVII th cent.
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, practical classes.
Methods of controlling	Credit, testing.
Department in charge:	Chair of Archaeology

Lectures: 24 Seminars: 32	A21	Fundamentals of Information Science.	ECTS: 6
Goals	The Module should give a concept of the modern principles of the functioning of information computer technologies, the ways of processing and analysis of different means of historical sources due to information computer technologies.		
Contents	The Module gives a concept of modern principles of functioning of information computer technologies, the ways of processing and analysis of different means of historical sources due to information computer technologies. It is oriented on forming knowledge and skills of using information technologies in the professional activity. Informational resources and their kinds, the processes of creating, accumulating, storing, searching, transmitting and representing of professional information are the subject of studying.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, laboratory works.		
Methods of controlling	2 credits, controlled work, testing, essay.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Source Studies		

Lectures: 66 Seminars: 36	A3	The History of Middle Ages.	ECTS: 12
Goals	Medieval Western European and Byzantine ways of the development of the European civilization, the role of Christianity in its interpretation and variability are studied.		
Contents	The economic basis of Western European and Byzantine society, their class structure and state system, the role of monarchy in stabilization of the society of that period are		

	studied.
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.
Methods of controlling	2 examinations, controlled work, final written work.
Department in charge:	Chair of Ancient and Medieval History

Lectures: 36 Seminars: 20	A4	Source Study. Source Study of the History of Belarus (according to the specialization).	ECTS: 5
Goals	The Module is dedicated to studying concept ‘source’, representation of the complex of source material, mastering the basis of working with sources.		
Contents	The Module is aimed at forming integrated conception of perception and studying historical sources. Source study is viewed as an integrated branch of science in the system of humanities, various methodological approaches to solving the most significant problems are shown. The review of the main kinds of historical sources in Belarus and the methods of their research are given in the Module.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	2 examinations, final written work.		
Department in charge:	according to the specializations.		

Lectures: 18 Seminars: 10	A15	The Theory and History of Culture.	ECTS: 3
Goals	The Module forms the concept of the essence, contents, structure and laws of culture functioning in its historical development, reflects the integrated view of the process of culture. It gives the concept about the specificity and laws of development of world cultures, reflects the mechanisms of cross-cultural exchange, the process of transmission and transformation of various cultural paradigms.		
Contents	The Module reveals peculiarities of formation of early forms in the development of culture, and also the formation and functioning of the culture of the epoch of the most ancient eastern civilizations.		
Academic	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars,		

methods	methodological seminars.
Methods of controlling	2 credits, final testing, paper.
Department in charge:	Chair of Ethnology, Museum Studies and History of Arts

SECOND YEAR

Lectures: 60 Seminars: 36	A1	The History of Belarus (the XVIth – XIXth cent).	ECTS: 14
Goals	Studying the history of Belarus of the XVI th – XIX th cent., general and peculiar features in the context of processes within Rech Pospolitaya. Giving the concept of museology as a branch of science, mastering the most important categories in the field of museology. Acquainting students with the history of museology abroad and in the territory of Belarus, with the museum structure of the Republic of Belarus and problems of its development.		
Contents	The problems of consequences of the Lublin Union, political, economic and social relations in the epoch of transition from Middle Ages to Modern time are studied, the religious situation in the Belarusian land in the epoch of counter-reformation and divisions of Rech Pospolitaya is characterized. Socio-economic, public-political processes and culture of Belarus in the XIX th ct., unrolling of modernizing processes, their peculiarities, stages and contents are studied. The social, ethnical and confessional structure of the population of Belarus is characterized. The forms of Belarusian national movement are studied.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, tests, paper, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	2 examinations, test, paper, controlled work.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Ancient and Medieval History of Belarus Chair of Modern History of Belarus		

Lectures: 64 Seminars: 36	A8	The History of Modern Time.	ECTS: 12
Goals	The Module studies the History of Modern Time of Western Europe and North America.		
Contents	The problems of transition from feudalism to capitalism and development of capitalism are studied. The impact of great geographical discoveries on the development of the civilizations of Europe and America. Scientific revolution. Revival and humanism. Reformation and counter-reformation. The forms of state system and their evolution. Ideological and political trends. Bourgeois revolutions: general characteristics. The First		

	World War.
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, practical classes.
Methods of controlling	Examination, final written work, essay, paper-based literature.
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History

Lectures: 40 Seminars: 20	A9	The History of Modern Time (1918-1945).	ECTS: 7
Goals	The development of countries of Western Europe and the USA in the period between wars and the course of Second World War are studied.		
Contents	The stages of the development of the capitalistic society, the formation of state-monopolistic capitalism are studied. The process of transformation of programme-political positions of the parties of liberal-reformist spectrum, forming and development of totalitarian-authoritarian alternative to the system of parliamentary reformism are studied. The characteristic features of working class movement of this period. The role of the Second World War in the history of world leading countries.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Examination, final testing, final written work.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History		

Lectures: 64 Seminars: 40	A7	The History of the Eastern Slavs in the XIXth cent.	ECTS: 14
Goals	On the basis of analysis of sources, introducing modern academic literature and newest researches the studying of all set of facts, events, phenomena of history of Russia and the Ukraine of the XIX th – the beginning of the XX th cent.; revealing general laws and peculiarities of the development of social structure and economic potential of the Russian Empire within the marked period, evolution of Russian statehood, internal political and foreign policy courses, formation of the main directions of public thinking and culture (the given task is perceived also in connection with the similar Ukrainian «components», taking place in real circumstances); within the		

	<p>designation of the tendencies of development in the XIXth – the beginning of the XXth cent. of the world civilization the definition of purely Russian (and Ukrainian) civilization line; the development of students' ability of searching concrete historical information.</p>
Contents	<p>The tendencies of socio-economic development of Russia in pre-reform period. The crisis of feudal-serf system. The beginning of Industrial Revolution. Interior and exterior politics of Russian authorities in the beginning of the XIXth cent. The Civil war of 1812 and foreign campaign of the Russian Army of 1813–1814. The attempts of Russian authorities to solve acute problems and rolling up a country to Arakcheevship. Interior politics of Russia in postwar period. The public life of the country in the first quarter of the XIXth cent. Decembrism. The exterior politics of Nikolai's the First cabinet. «The apogee of autocracy». The exterior politics of Russia in the second quarter of the XIXth cent. Russia and «the eastern question». Tsarism as a «gendarme of Europe». The public-political struggle in Russia in the 30–40s of the XIXth cent. The centre and periphery. The national politics of Russian authorities in the pre-reform period. Russia and the Caucasus. Ukrainian lands as a part of the Russian Empire and Austrian Monarchy. Alexander II. Russia in conditions of «great reforms» of the 60–70s of the XIXth cent. The abolition of serfdom. The socio-economic development of the country in the 60–90s. of the XIXth cent. The public movement of Russia in the end of the 50-60s. of the XIXth cent. Populism. The interior politics of Russian authorities in the 80s – the beginning of the 90s of the XIXth cent. The patriarchal reign of Alexander III. The exterior politics of Russia in the second half of the XIXth cent. Socio-economic development of the Russian Empire in the end of the XIXth – the beginning of the XXth cent. The internal political development, public life of the country on the boundary of the XIXth – XXth centuries. The authorities and society in conditions of the first Russian revolution of 1905–1907. The internal politics of the government in 1907–1914. State Duma. The public life of the country. Russia in the system of international relations. The foreign politics of Russian authorities in the end of the XIXth– the beginning of the XXth cent. The Russian Empire in the time of the First World War. The February Revolution of 1917. The Russian culture of the XIXth – the beginning of the XXth cent.</p>
Academic methods	<p>Lectures, seminars, monitored independent work, controlled works, historiographic and source study papers, essay.</p>
Methods of controlling	<p>2 examinations, 2 papers, 4 controlled works, 2 essays.</p>

Department in charge:	Chair of Russian History
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Lectures: 12 Seminars: 8	A16	The Basis of Archive Studies.	ECTS: 2
Goals	The formation of concepts about the archive system of the Republic of Belarus, mastering the methods of searching archive documents, ways of their usage.		
Contents	The Module is directed on disclosing the main topics of the archive studies of Belarus: the history of archive studies; archive legislation; the formation of the National Archive Fund (NAF) and the classification of NAF documents; the examination of documents' value; scientific-referential archive apparatus; documents' usage; the documents in the History of Belarus in foreign archives. This allows a future researcher to orient themselves in the archive system of the country; to master the main principles and ways of forming funds in native archives; to conduct a successful search of archive sources in the Republic of Belarus as well as abroad; to know their legal rights and responsibilities in archive documents' usage.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Credit, testing, essay.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Source Studies.		

Lectures: 12 Seminars: 8	A17	Fundamentals of Museum Studies.	ECTS: 2
Goals	To give the notion of museum studies as a scientific discipline, to study the major categories of theory of museum studies; to acquaint students with the history of museum studies both in Belarus and abroad, with the museum network of the Republic of Belarus and the problems of its development.		
Contents	The Module gives the notion of museum studies as a scientific discipline; the history of its foundation and development; the notions of theoretical and applied museum studies; the structure and its place in the system of sciences; the reasons of museum founding in different parts of the world and in Belarus. The Module considers social functions of museums, their scientific research work, matters of fund, expository, cultural and educational activity.		
Academic methods	Lectures, seminars, monitored independent work.		

Methods of controlling	Credit, paper, presentation, monitored independent work, final test.
Department in charge:	Chair of Ethnology, Museum Studies and History of Arts

Lectures: 40 Seminars: 20	A10	The History of Asia and Africa of the Vth – the Beginning of the XXth cent.	ECTS: 7
Goals	The major civilizations of the East in the Middle Ages and of today are studied: China, India, Japan, the Muslim world, etc.		
Contents	On the basis of study of traditional civilizations of Asia and Africa the concept of similarity and peculiarities of the development of the civilizations in the Middle Ages and of today is given. The peculiarities of economic, social and state structure in these civilizations are studied. The problem of slow-moving development in the east countries of today. Colonization of the East in the XVI th – XIX th c. Reaction of the traditional east society against colonial expansion. The beginning of modernization processes, their peculiarities in the east countries. Activating of political struggle in the beginning of the XX th c. («the East awakening»).		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Credit, mid-term credit, testing, controlled work.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Ancient and Medieval History		

Lectures: 44 Seminars: 36	A15	The History and Theory of Culture.	ECTS: 10
Goals	To study basic notions of culture and concepts of Modern and New Modern History, general and specific features in the development of national and regional cultures, traditional forms and new tendencies.		
Contents	The main stages, achievements, peculiar features of cultures of the West, Asia, Africa and Latin America, interrelation of cultures are studied here. The characteristic of social-historical background of founding and development of art styles, tendencies, schools is given. The Module reflects the works of outstanding figures of culture which created masterpieces of world significance. It pays attention to ideology, the development of education, religious factor in its specific historical reflection.		

Academic methods	lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.
Methods of controlling	examination, credit, final testing, final written examination.
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History

Lectures: 58 Seminars: 32	A13	The History of the Southern and Western Slavs of the IXth – XVIIIth cent.	ECTS: 10
Goals	The Module depicts the peculiarities of the western and southern Slavic lands development in the Middle Ages and of today.		
Contents	The Module gives the peculiarities of the development of the southern and western Slavs in the lands of Western Europe and Byzantium till the XV th century. The role of Catholicism and Orthodoxy in the process of civilization development in Central Europe is studied. The history of the southern and western Slavs in the structure of empires of that time is studied.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Credit, testing, final written work.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Southern and Western Slavs History		

THIRD YEAR

Lectures: 72 Seminars: 40	A1	The History of Belarus of 1900 – the Beginning of the XXIth cent.	ECTS: 14
Goals	It gives the history of Belarus in the period of World War I, the revolution of 1917, the creation of the Belarusian state, industrialization and collectivization. It studies the history of Belarus in the period of World War II; the development of the Belarusian Republic in the post-war years and today.		
Contents	The module studies social, economic, political and moral processes in the period of creation of the BSSR, industrialization and collectivization of economics. It also studies the state of western Belarus in the structure of the Polish Republic. It gives the peculiarities and regularities of the development of Belarus in the period of World War II and the Civil War; occupation regime of the Nazi invaders on the territory of the republic, partisan and underground organization struggle. It studies social, economic and political processes in the post-war period; the declaration of the sovereignty of the Republic of Belarus, the formation of the presidential political system.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored individual work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	2 exams, controlled work, paper.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History of Belarus		

Lectures: 40 Seminars: 20	A11	The History of Latin American Civilization.	ECTS: 6
Goals	To study the history of Latin America of today.		
Contents	The origin of Latin America civilization. Major regions of civilization on the territory of the New World before Columbus exploration. The conflict with the European civilization. The origin of a colonial system. The formation of the social hierarchy. Interrelations between the Indians and European settlers. The struggle for independence in Latin America in the beginning of the XIX th century. The origin of independent Latin-American states and the problems of inland development of the XIX th century. The ways of political and economic development in the states of Latin America in the XX th century. The Module considers the problem of modernization, the place		

	of Latin-American states in the system of international relations, the phenomenon of caudilism and military dictatorship, the problem of drug traffic and its decision. It studies the tendencies towards democratization in the 80-90s of the XX th century and integration in the Latin-American regions.
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.
Methods of controlling	Examination, credit, 2 papers, final written work.
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History

Lectures: 42 Seminars: 22	A9	New Modern History (1945 – the Beginning of the XXIth cent.).	ECTS: 7
Goals	The Module aims at studying the development in the second half of the XX th century and the development of today in the countries of Western Europe and in the USA.		
Contents	The Module discovers the process of crisis and collapse of the model of prosperity (state prosperity) and transition towards neo-conservative development with explanation of position of different political organizations in this process. The role of the technological revolution in the forming of post-industrialized society. The Module gives the processes of weakening in totalitarianism-authoritarianism regime and the tendencies of strengthening in parliamentary democracy and reformatory ideology of the social-political sphere. The development of international relations from the time of cold war and bipolar system to the time of relative hegemony of the USA in the world is studied.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Examination, 2 papers, final written work.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History		

Lectures: 48 Seminars: 32	A7	The History of the Eastern Slavs of the XXth cent.	ECTS: 10
Goals	It gives the analysis of social-economic development, of the political system, of home and foreign policy, of social and political movements; the development of social thought, interethnic and inter-confessional relations in Russia and the		

	Ukraine of the XX th – XXI th centuries.
Contents	The Module shows the position of social and political organizations in the period of the national crisis of 1917. The civil war. Military communism and a new economic policy. The origin of the USSR. Modernism strategy. The political system. World War II and the Great Patriotic War. Post-war society. “Thaw”. Crisis of administration-commanding methods in government. «Perestroyka». Collapse of the USSR. Sovereignty proclamation. Forming state system of Russia and the Ukraine.
Academic methods	Lectures, seminars, monitored independent work, essay and papers on historiography of the modern history of Russia and the Ukraine.
Methods of controlling	2 examinations, testing controlled work.
Department in charge:	Chair of Russian History

Lectures: 40 Seminars: 20	A10	Modern History of Asia and Africa (1918 – the Beginning of the XXIth cent.).	ECTS: 6
Goals	The Module studies the development of the countries in Asia and Africa of the inter-war period and in the period of World War II, of the second half of the XX th century and the development of Asia and Africa today.		
Contents	The Module studies anti-colonial movements in Asia and Africa of the inter-war period, the beginning of colonial system downfall. Social-economic development of the eastern countries in the inter-war period. Main tendencies, peculiarities and models of modernization. The political development of the eastern countries in the inter-war period, changes in the national-liberation movement. Asia and Africa in the period of World War II. Decolonization in Asia and Africa, the problem of neo-colonialism. Social-economic development in the 50–70s, the problem of choice of the way of development. Modernization processes in the end of the XX th – the beginning of the XXI th centuries and their conflict. The political development of Asia and Africa after World War II, peculiarities of political systems. Basic forces activity. The eastern countries in the system of post-war international relations. Regional conflicts of the East. The East and the problem of international terrorism.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		

Methods of controlling	Examination, credit, 2 papers, final testing.
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History

Lectures: 52 Seminars: 24	A13	The History of the Southern and Western Slavs of the XIXth – XXth cent.	ECTS: 7
Goals	The Module describes the processes of ethnic consolidation between the western and southern Slavic peoples, forming sovereign states, their existence in the XX th century.		
Contents	The Module studies the history of the southern and western Slavs in the structure of the following empires: Russian, German, Austro-Hungarian and Ottoman. It gives the reasons of obtaining independency by Slavic peoples after World War I. Great attention is paid to the period of World War II, to the victory of communist ideology and the rise of «social community» and then the collapse of communism.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Examination, testing, final written work.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Southern and Western Slavs History		

Lectures: 54 Seminars: 30	A4	The History of Religions.	ECTS: 5
Goals	The Module makes us familiar with general regularities of functioning of religious consciousness, development stages of religious systems from the ancient times to nowadays.		
Contents	Step by step the Module considers forming of different religions from the very first communities of Neanderthal and Cro-Magnon men according to the archeological data. It studies then the origin of early-state polytheism on the pattern of the Ancient Egypt and it gives the ways of transition to more developed forms of religious consciousness in zoroastrism, Judaism, etc. Much attention is paid to the study of world religions: Buddhism, Christianity, Islam.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, practical classes.		
Methods of controlling	Credit, testing.		

Department in charge:	Chair of Ancient and Medieval History
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Lectures: 26 Seminars: 16	A6	Special Historical Disciplines. Numismatics.	ECTS: 5
Goals	To study the history of money-weight and monetary systems.		
Contents	The Module studies the history of money circulation, the type of interrelations between monetary systems in the process of economic, political and cultural contacts between different kinds of ethnos and states, interconnection of money circulation with trade markets, organization and technology of monetary production, the origin and evolution of the monetary right, monetary reforms, processes of treasure-forming and its reasons.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Credit, testing.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Archaeology		

FOURTH YEAR

Lectures: 30 Seminars: 18	A18	The History of Historical Thought.	ECTS: 6
Goals	To form integral system of knowledge of the origin and development of the world and native historical thought.		
Contents	The Module discovers the problems of forming and developing world-wide historical thought from the ancient period of time to our days. It is concerned with forming knowledge of the place and role of historical cognition, creative and scientific approaches, accumulation and retrieval of historical knowledge in human activity.		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars, methodological seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Examination, credit, controlled work, testing, essay.		
Department in charge:	Chair of Source Studies		

Lectures: 30 Seminars: 18	A1	The History of Public Movements and Political Parties of Belarus.	ECTS: 6
Goals	To study general regularities and peculiarities of forming political parties which functioned on the territory of Belarus in the past; modern processes of forming political pluralism and revival of multiparty membership.		
Contents	<p>The problems being considered are studied at three stages:</p> <p>1). Forming system of political parties (the end of the XIXth cent. – 1917);</p> <p>2). Liquidation of multiparty membership and existence of one-party dictatorship (the mid. of the 1920s – the mid. of the 1980s);</p> <p>3). Revival of multiparty membership in Belarus (the end of the 1980s – the beginning of the 1990s).</p> <p>The Module studies the specific character of rising social-political movement, forming a new political structure in the Republic of Belarus.</p>		
Academic methods	Lectures, monitored independent work, seminars.		
Methods of controlling	Examination, credit, paper		
Department in charge:	Chair of Modern History of Belarus		

3-4 years

Optional modules

5-8 terms

Modules on Disciplines of Specialization

Historiography of Belarus
History of Culture of Belarus
Historiography of Archaeology of Belarus
Methods of Archaeological Research
Field Archaeology
Special Historical Disciplines
Social and Cultural Anthropology
Theory of Political Decision-Making
Theory of International Relations
History of Political and Law Doctrines

Modules on Specialization Disciplines at Departments

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