

COURSE UNIT (MODULE) DESCRIPTION

Course unit (module) title	Code
<i>Islam in the Global World</i>	ISGL3216

Lecturer(s)	Department(s) where the course unit (module) is delivered
Coordinators: assist. Ieva Koreivaitė	Institute of International Relations and Political Science

Study cycle	Type of the course unit (module)
First cycle	Elective

Mode of delivery	Period when the course unit (module) is delivered	Language(s) of instruction
Seminars, self study	4 semester	Lithuanian

Requirements for students	
Prerequisites: None	Additional requirements (if any): None

Course (module) volume in credits	Total student's workload	Contact hours	Self-study hours
5	130	32	98

Purpose of the course unit (module): programme competences to be developed
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The aim of this course is to provide students with knowledge and abilities to understand and analyse the socio-political processes in the Muslim societies around the world as well as to explain interaction between Islam and globalization. Students will receive extensive knowledge of various rituals and dogmas that effect cultural and sociopolitical life and will be explained how to interpret and analyze revivalism, radicalism, democratization, emigration and other processes that reshape role of Islam in the world.

This course aims to develop subject specific competencies, such as, ability to understand sociopolitical processes in Muslim society and Muslim community in the world, ability to recognize Islamic rituals and dogmas, ability to analyze different processes that shape and re-shape the role of Islam in the world. In addition, this course is developing certain generic competencies: ability to analyze problems in a critical way, ability to work in groups and individually, ability to undertake a culture-sensitive approach towards socio-political phenomena, perceive different cultures without prejudices and with a great degree of sensitivity.

Learning outcomes of the course unit (module)	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
Will be able to recognize Islamic rituals and dogmas	Face-to-face seminars, discussions	Assessment of the quality of work during the seminars
Will be able to analyze different processes that shape and reshape the role of Islam in the world	Independent reading , exam	Assessment of exam and presentation
Will be able to critically assess the information available from various media outlet as well as academic sources	Research methods (texts analysis, preparation of essay and media monitoring)	Assessment of essay and media monitoring report
Will be able to interpret socio-political processes in Middle East and other parts of the world.	Independent reading , research methods (texts analysis, preparation for presentation, preparation of essay), discussions	Assessment of the quality of work during the seminars, assessment of presentation and essay
Will be able to undertake a culture-sensitive approach towards socio-political phenomena, perceive different cultures with sensitivity.	Class discussions, debates, research methods	Assessment of the quality of work during the seminars, assessment of presentation, essay and final examination

Content: breakdown of the topics	Contact hours				Self-study work: time and assignments	
	Lectures	Tutorials	Seminars	Contact hours	Self-study hours	Assignments
1. Beginning and Spread of Islam.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: J. Hameen-Anttila, <i>Islamo vadovas [Guide to Islam]</i> , Vilnius: Versus aureus, 2009, p. 1-42
2. Islam in Later Centuries.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: J. Hameen-Anttila, <i>Islamo vadovas [Guide to Islam]</i> , Vilnius: Versus aureus, 2009, p. 43-79
3. Basics of Islam - Faith, Obligations and Rituals.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: A. Schimmel, <i>Islamo įvadas [Introduction to Islam]</i> , Vilnius : Regnum fondas, 2001, p. 40-69
4. Sources of Islam.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: D. François, <i>Koranas: Pažintis su islamo Šventuoju raštu [Quran: an acquaintance with Islamic sacred scripture]</i> , Vilnius : Žara, 2008, p. 4-49
5. The Essence of Islam? – “fikh”.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: A. Schimmel, <i>Islamo įvadas [Introduction to Islam]</i> , Vilnius : Regnum fondas, 2001, p. 71-103
6. Peripheries of Islam - "tasavuf", Folk Islam.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: A. Schimmel, <i>Islamo įvadas [Introduction to Islam]</i> , Vilnius : Regnum fondas, 2001, p. 105-144
7. Reislamization Projects.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: E. Račius, <i>Politikos ir islamiškosios davos susiliejinimas [Blending of Politics and the Islamic Da'wa]</i> , <i>Politologija</i> , 2 (38), 2005, p. 91-122
8. Radicalization: Jihad Mutations.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: E. Račius, <i>Globalaus džihadistinio judėjimo politinė programa: tarp svajonių ir realybės [The political programme of the global jihadist movement: between dreams and reality]</i> , <i>Politologija</i> , 3(59), 2010, p. 97-128
9. Islam and Democracy.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: A. Bayat, <i>Islam and Democracy: What is the Real Question?</i> , Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, 2007, p.1-21
10. Democracy in the Middle East Region.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: E. Račius, <i>Demokratijos nuvertėjimas: Afganistano ir Irako atvejai [Devaluation of Democracy: Afghanistan and Iraq cases]</i> , Lietuvos metinė strateginė apžvalga 2007, Vilnius: Lietuvos karo akademija, 2008, p. 49-67
11. Islamic Revivalism and Islamic State			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: Iškauskaitė, R., <i>The Complexity of the Concept of Islamic Revivalism and revivalists' understanding of a proper model of State</i> ”, <i>Politologija</i> , No. 2, Vol. 66, Vilnius: Vilnius University Press, p.105-143
12. Islam in Europe.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: Policy Department Structural and Cohesion Policies, <i>Islam in the European Union: What's at stake in the Future?</i> , (IP/B/CULT/ST/2006_061), Brussels: European Parliament, 2007, p. 1-68
13. Islam in Lithuania.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: Göran Larsson (Ed.), <i>Islam in the Nordic and Baltic Countries</i> , London & New York: Routledge, 2009, p.

						116-130 E. Račius, Islam in Lithuania: Changing Patterns of Religious and Social Life of Lithuanian Muslims, Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs, 1(22), 2002, p. 177-184	
14. Muslim in the Age of Information.			2	2	4	Reading and analysis of the course literature: E. Račius, Internetiniai musulmonų šaltiniai informacinių karų kontekste – „kavkazcentr“ Lietuvoje atvejis [Muslim internet resources in the context of information wars – the case of “kavkazcenter” In Lithuania], Politologija, 3(43), 2006, p. 20-53	
Essay			2		2	18	Preparation for and writing the essay
Presentation			2		2	14	Preparation for the presentation
Media monitoring report						10	Preparation of media monitoring report
Total			4	28	32	98	

Assessment strategy	Weight, %	Deadline	Assessment criteria
Assessment of the quality of work during the seminars	20%	Throughout the semester	Active participation in seminars (5%), Essential and relevant comments (5%), Ability to refer to assigned academic literature (5%), Critical thinking and ponderable argumentation (5%)
Exam	30%	During session time	Comprehensiveness of the answers (10 %) Ability to base the answers on the academic literature that was provided throughout the course (10%) Critical analytical thinking (10%)
Presentation	20%	End of semester	Ability to employ theories knowledge (5%), Depth of analysis (10%); Ability to present results in an appropriate coherent form and to respond to colleagues comments efficiently (5%)
Media monitoring report	10%		Critical selection and analysis (5%), Essential insights and relevant comments (5%),
Essay	20%		Critical thinking and ponderable argumentation (5%) Structure and style (clearness, consistency, academic vocabulary) (5%) Depth of analysis (10%)

Author	Year of publication	Title	Issue of a periodical or volume of a publication	Publishing place and house or web link
Compulsory reading				
	2007	<i>Islam in the European Union: What's at stake in the Future?</i>		Policy Department Structural and Cohesion Policies Brussels: European Parliament
Bayat, A.	2007	<i>Islam and Democracy: What is the Real Question?</i>		Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press
François, D.	2008	<i>Koranas: Pažintis su islamo šventuoju raštu [Quran: an acquaintance with Islamic sacred scripture]</i>		Vilnius : Žara
Hameen-Anttila, J.	2009	<i>Islamo vadovas [Guide to Islam]</i>		Vilnius : Versus Aureus
Iškauskaitė, R.	2012	<i>The Complexity of the Concept of Islamic Revivalism and revivalists' understanding of a proper model of State</i>	<i>Politologija</i> , No. 2, Vol. 66	Vilnius: Vilnius University Press
Larsson, Göran	2009	<i>Islam in the Nordic and Baltic Countries</i>		London & New York:

				Routledge
Račius, E.	2005	<i>Politikos ir islamiškosios davos susilieėjimas [Blending of Politics and the Islamic Da'wa]</i>	Vol. 38, No. 2	Politologija, Vilnius: Vilnius University Press
Račius, E.	2010	<i>Globalaus džihadistinio judėjimo politinė programa: tarp svajonių ir realybės [The political programme of the global jihadist movement: between dreams and reality]</i>	Vol. 59, No. 3	Politologija, Vilnius: Vilnius University Press
Račius, E.	2008	<i>Demokratijos nuvertėjimas: Afganistano ir Irako atvejai [Devaluation of Democracy: Afghanistan and Iraq cases]</i>		Vilnius: Lietuvos karo akademija
Račius, E.	2002	<i>Islam in Lithuania: Changing Patterns of Religious and Social Life of Lithuanian Muslims</i>	Vol. 22, No. 1	Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs, Routledge
Račius, E.	2006	<i>Internetiniai musulmonų šaltiniai informacinių karų kontekste – „kavkazcentr“ Lietuvoje atvejis [Muslim internet resources in the context of information wars – the case of “kavkazcenter” In Lithuania]</i>	Vol. 43, No. 3	Politologija, Vilnius: Vilnius University Press
Schimme,l A.	2001	<i>Islamo įvadas [Introduction to Islam]</i>		Vilnius : Regnum fondas
Optional reading				
N. Hashemi	2012	<i>Islam, secularism, and liberal democracy :toward a democratic theory for Muslim societies</i>		New York [N.Y.] : Oxford University Press
S. Akbarzadeh	2012	<i>Routledge handbook of political Islam</i>		New York [N.Y.] : Routledge
A. Elshobaki, G. Martín Muñoz	2010	<i>Why Europe must engage with political Islam</i>		Barcelona : European Institute of the Mediterranean
F.E. Peters	2010	<i>The Arabs and Arabia on the eve of Islam</i>		Burlington [Vt.] : Ashgate
H. Norris	2009	<i>Islam in the Baltic: Europe's early Muslim community</i>		New York[N.Y.] : I.B. Tauris Publishers