

LGLOR2523

2014-2015

Questions of Byzantine History

5.0 credits	30.0 h	1q	This biannual
			course is taught on
			years 2014-2015,
			2016-2017,

Teacher(s) :	Coulie Bernard ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Inline resources:	The iCampus server enables the student to obtain the lectures and supporting documents.
Prerequisites :	None, but a knowledge of ancient Greek is useful.
Main themes :	A study of the political, administrative and fiscal system of the Byzantine Empire, from the IVth to the XVth century. The course deals with the various dimensions of the history of the Byzantine State (political, administrative, fiscal, etc.). Particular attention will be paid to the written sources (legal documents, protocols and lists of precedences, literary texts).
Aims:	At the end of this course, the student will be capable of mastering the elements of the functioning of the Byzantine State. In order to achieve this, he will have mastered the various working tools, and will also be able to carry out a personal research on the Byzantine institutions. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Evaluation methods :	Oral exam
Teaching methods :	Lectures.
Content :	The Byzantine state developed a particular form of organisation. During its eleven centuries of existence (330 A.D. to 1453 A.D.), it underwent profound modifications, starting out with a system akin to the Roman empire to arrive at one typically medieval. It is this evolution which the course seeks to illustrate by a profound study of several themes, such as the administration of territories, and of finance, taxation etc. The study of source documents will enable the student to understand the daily functioning of the Byzantine state and to appreciate its characteristics and evolution.
Bibliography :	The lecturer will provide texts and course material.
Other infos :	The lecturer will fix the timetable jointly with the students at the beginning of the year.
Cycle and year of study:	 > Master [120] in History > Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies > Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics > Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies > Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics
Faculty or entity in charge:	GLOR