UCLouvain

## lhist1160

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## Introduction to the institutions of Belgium

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information below is subject to change, in particular that concerning the teaching mode (presential, distance or in a comodal or hybrid format).

5 credits	22.5 h	Q2

Teacher(s)	Debruyne Emmanuel ;Warland Geneviève ;Warland Geneviève (compensates Debruyne Emmanuel) ;					
Language :	French					
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve					
Main themes	Alternating general glimpses of the great epochs of Belgium's past and in-depth lectures on more specific questions (origins of the linguistic boundaries, balances of power in the medieval principalities, XVIIIth century "modernity", linguistic and community questions, for ex.).					
Aims	A student having followed this course should have mastery of the geopolitical and institutional limits of the territories composing the Kingdom of Belgium today, from the Roman period to present, and be able to understand the historical foundations of structures and mentalities of contemporary Belgium.  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	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.  Biographical directory of Belgian political personalities on the course website (10%) and written exam (90%) in essay form, supplemented by a question on important dates in Belgium. This modality is valid for June and September.					
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.  Lectures with a portfolio of readings, online encyclopedias and glossaries, audiovisual documents and virtual exhibitions.					
Content	The course focuses on the institutional and political history of contemporary Belgium: based on a reflection on the achievements of the French and Dutch periods, it provides an overview of the major changes in Belgium's institutions since 1830: constitution, government, parliament, judiciary, provincial and communal levels. Attention is given to the transformation of an independent and unitary Belgium into a federal Belgium, inserted in the heart of Europe, as well as to the definitions of state and nation within the Belgian framework. Similarly, the pilarization of Belgium as well as communitarization and regionalization are central aspects of the subject.					
Inline resources	Moodle Website LHIST 1160.					
Bibliography	La bibliographie se trouve sur le site Moodle du cours et est actualisée annuellement.					
Other infos	A visit to the Parliament or the Senate is organized.					
Faculty or entity in charge	HIST					

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims		
Bachelor in History	HIST1BA	5		•		