

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMME
AMERICAN STUDIES
2ND YEAR OF STUDY, 1ST SEMESTER

COURSE TITLE		INSTITUTIONS AND VALUES 2: THE USA CONSTITUTION
COURSE CODE		SA2033
COURSE TYPE		full attendance/ tutorial
COURSE LEVEL		1 st cycle (bachelor's degree)
YEAR OF STUDY, SEMESTER		2 nd year of study, 1 st semester
NUMBER OF ECTS CREDITS		6
NUMBER OF HOURS PER WEEK		4 (2 lecture hours + 2 seminar hours)
NAME OF LECTURE HOLDER		Andriescu Radu
NAME OF SEMINAR HOLDER		Andriescu Radu
PREREQUISITES		Advanced level of English
A	GENERAL AND COURSE-SPECIFIC COMPETENCES	
	<p>General competences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Personal and professional development. → Social interaction (working in groups, cooperating etc) → Enhancing personal ethics <p>Course-specific competences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Knowing, understanding and using specific terminology. → Explaining and interpreting. → Assessing critically. 	
B	LEARNING OUTCOMES	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Familiarize the students with the fundamental axiological and cultural issues of the American political system, of the political institutions and the typology of the opinions, behavior and political culture in the United States. ... → Highlight the various paradigms of interpretation of the power of the state, as well as of the other institutions. → To analyze the main political problems of contemporary society 	
C	LECTURE CONTENT	
	The Origins Of American Political Principles, The Revolution and constitution, Federalism and American Political development, Political Socialization and Public Opinion, Mass Media and the Political Agenda, Political Parties, Voting, Campains and Elections, Congress, The President, Civil Liberties - Civil rights Recommended	
D	RECOMMENDED READING FOR LECTURES	
	Cal Jillson. <i>American Government: Political Change and Institutional Development</i> , Fourth Edition. Routledge, New York, London, 2008.	
E	SEMINAR CONTENT	
	Workshops.	
F	RECOMMENDED READING FOR SEMINARS	
	Constitution101: An Introduction & Overview to the US Constitution; ABOUT AMERICA: THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA with Explanatory Notes adapted from THE WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA (c) 2004 World Book, Inc. By permission of the publisher. www.worldbook.com	
G	EDUCATION STYLE	
	LEARNING AND TEACHING METHODS	lectures, workshops
	ASSESSMENT METHODS	Participation in class, discussions 40% Final (written) test 60%
	LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	English