Course Specifications
Valid as from the academic year 2017-2018

Introduction to Historical Geography (C003623)

Course
Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2019-2020
A (semester 1) Dutch fieldwork 10.0 h
excursion 30.0 h
lecture 22.5 h

Lecturers in academic year 2019-2020
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Offered in the following programmes in 2019-2020 crdts offering
Bachelor of Science in Geography and Geomatics (main subject Geography) 5 A

Teaching languages
Dutch

Keywords
Historical geography, landscape history

Position of the course
To make the students familiar with the sources and methods for the study of the history of the cultural landscape and the elements that formed the (cultural) landscape in the historical period (since Roman period till today).
This course has interdisciplinary dimensions.

Contents
In the first part, a general overview is given of the most important historical factors that have created the landscape.
Examples are shown with emphasis on western Europe -
In the second part, an overview of the landscape history in Flanders (Middle ages till today) with special attention towards the pre-industrial landscape in Flanders. A lot of attention also goes to Flemish landscape relics.
There is also one field trip with active participation of the students forseen.

Initial competences
Final objectives of secondary education

Final competences
1. The students know and understand how the landscape is formed during history and what has been the influence of man and nature on the structure of settlements and parcels.
2. They are able to put the present-day landscape in its historical context (they can "read" the historical landscape.)
3. Students are able to derive the historical phases of development from maps and aerial photographs, historical reconstructions...).

Conditions for credit contract
Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract
This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

(Approved)
Excursion, lecture, fieldwork

Learning materials and price
Syllabus, notes excursions, slight on MINERVA, short list of literature. The lectures are largely illustrated with projections, aerial photographs historical reconstructions and maps. Cost: about 10 EUR

References

Course content-related study coaching
By lecturers and assistants
Communication with students through ELO/ICT

Evaluation methods
end-of-term evaluation

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period
Oral examination

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period
Oral examination

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation
examination during the second examination period is possible

Extra information on the examination methods
Oral exam with short written preparation or written exam (to be choosen in forehand by the students). A short exercise will also be evaluated.

Calculation of the examination mark
90% exam
10% exercises