

ECONOMIC HISTORY OF PORTUGAL

Degree(s)	: Economics; Management; Finance
Type	: Optional course unit
Curricular year/semester	: 1st year / 1st Semester
ECTS / hours per week	: 4 ECTS / 3.0 Hours
Workload per week	: 2 Theoretical/Practical x 1.5Hours
Teacher responsible	: Professor Maria Leonor Freire Costa

OBJECTIVES

To make students think critically on the different explanations for economic growth in a long-term perspective taking the case of Portugal. To introduce students with the relationship of Portugal's economy to the origins, development and stages of the world economy since the 18th century and the divergent paths to growth within Europe.

PROGRAM

- 1- From the medieval origins to the 18th century: institutional frameworks and the corner stones of the economy throughout the Early Modern period
- 2- The colonial empire and the roots of a divergent path in late 18th century
- 3- The first stages of the world economy and Portugal's backwardness in the 19th century.
- 4- Wars, crises and Portugal's recovery in the 20th century
- 5- Portugal and the golden age of economic growth after World War II
- 6- Portugal's political turmoil and the world crisis in the 1970's
- 7- The era of the European Union. 13 – Perspectives for the future of the European Union: the European Union in a World context

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Recommended Bibliography:

- Mata, Maria Eugénia and Nuno Valério (2011), *The concise economic history of Portugal*, Coimbra, Almedina
- Costa, Leonor Freire; Pedro Lains and Susana Münch Miranda (2015, forthcoming), *An Economic History of Portugal and its empire*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press

Optional Bibliography:

- Disney, A. R (2012), *A History of Portugal and the Portuguese Empire, from the beginnings to 1807*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2 vols