**UNIVERZITET U SARAJEVU**

**FAKULTET POLITIČKIH NAUKA**

**Odsjek politologija**

**Usmjerenje: Međunarodni odnosi i diplomatija**

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| **Šifra predmeta:** | Naziv predmeta/Course: **Post-Soviet Studies** | | | |
| **Nivo: II ciklus** | **Godina: I** | **Semestar: II** | | **Broj ECTS: 6** |
| **Status: obavezan** | **Broj sati sedmično: 4** | | | **45+15** |
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| **1.CILJ I SADRŽAJ PREDMETA/AIM OF THE COURSE** | | | | |
| The aim of this course is to:   * familiarize students with history of creation of Soviet Union and the developments leading to its collapse * analyze Mikhail Gorbachev’s structural political and economic reforms aimed at recreation of the Soviet Union; * current state of affairs in the Russian Federation especially in respect to both internal and foreign policies under Vladimir Putin * familiarize students with violent conflicts that erupted in the post-Soviet space | | | | |
| **1.1. Preduslovan predmet/Pre-requisites:** | Nema/none | | | |
| **1.2.Osnovne tematske jedinice/Indicative syllabus content:** |  | | | |
| **1.3.Rezultati učenja/ Learning outcomes:** | Upon successful completion of the course the student will be able to:   * describe the ideological basis of the Soviet Union * examine the factors that contributed to the collapse of the Soviet Union * distinguish between the Soviet and post-Soviet political institutions * understand and explain different stages in development of Soviet and Russian foreign policy and military doctrines * understand the place and role of Russia in contemporary world post-1991 and post-2000 * understand the ongoing “frozen conflicts” in the post-Soviet space, to include conflicts in Nagorno-Karabakh, South Ossetia, Abkhazia and Eastern Ukraine | | | |
| **2.ORGANIZACIJA NASTAVE I OCJENJIVANJA** | | | | |
| ***Opis aktivnosti %*** | | | | |
| **2.1. Način izvodjenja nastave** | 1. interaktivna predavanja  2. diskusije i prezentacije  3. vježbe | | 1. 50 %  2. 30 %  3. 20% | |
| ***Učešće u ocjeni %/Grading*** | | | | |
| **2.2.Sistem ocjenjivanja/ Assessment Weighting** | 1. Mid term  2. Discussion/Participation  3 Quizzes  2. Završni/Final  3. 1. Popravni ispit/ Make up exam  0-55=F  55-64=E  65-74=D  75-84=C  85-94=B  95-100=A | | 25%  10%  15%  50%  50% | |
| **2.3. Procjena znanja studenata/Modes of Assessment** | Midterm: pismena ili usmena provjera znanja/Written or oral exam  Ispiti/Exams: završni, popravni i septembarski ispitni rok, pismena ili usmena provjera znanja/Exams: final, 1. make up, 2nd and 3rd make up, written or oral exam | | | |
| **3.LITERATURA/READINGS** | | | | |
| **3.1.OBAVEZNA LITERATURA/ESSENTIAL READINGS\***  **(\*scholarly articles may be added)**  **3.2.ŠIRA LITERATURA/FURTHER READINGS** | * 1. Richard Sakwa, Russian Politics and Society   2. White, Pravda, Gitelman, Developments in Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics   3. Ronald Grigor Suny (ed.), The Cambridge History of Russia, Volume III The Twentieth Century   4. Zurcher C, The Post-Soviet Wars: Rebelion, Ethnic Conflict and Nationhood in the Caucasus   5. Smith et al, Nation Building in Post-Soviet Borderlands   6. Toal, G. Near Abroad: Putin, the West, and the Contest over Ukraine and the Caucasus   7. Roy Medvedev, Post-Soviet Russia – A Journey Through the Yeltsin Era   8. Bessinger Mark, Nationalist Mobilization and Collapse of the Soviet Union | | | |

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| **IZVEDBENI PLAN NASTAVE I VJEŽBI/SEMESTER PLAN** | | | | |
| **Radna**  **sedmica** | **Datum/Date** | **Naziv tematske cjeline/Topics** | **Literatura/Readings** |  |
|  | 1 March | Independence Day (No class) | Ronald Grigor Suny, chapters 1 to 4  (Reader I) |  |
|  | 8 March | Introduction to the Course  Pre-Soviet History  1917 Revolutions and creation of USSR  Brief history of the Soviet Union.  Politics in the USSR. | Ronald Grigor Suny, chapters 5 to 10  (Reader I) |  |
|  | 15 March | Key features in different periods: Stalin era, Khrushchev, Brezhnev  Downward spiral of the 80s.  The Gorbachev era, attempts at reform, Perestroika and Glasnost.  Nationalist revolts, collapse of ideology. | Suny, Chapters 11 and 12  (Reader I)  White, Pravda, Gitelman, Chapter 6, Chapter 7  (Reader I, pp. 376-431)  Sakwa, Chapters 1 and 2  (Reader I, from p.433 to pp.470) |  |
|  | 22 March | Quiz 1  Final demise of the USSR  Emergence of post-Soviet space.  Reemergence of Russia and creation of the CIS.. | Sakwa, Chapter 3  (Reader I, from p.471 to the end)  Sakwa, Chapter 18  (Reader II, pp.3/491- 24/512) |  |
|  | 29. March | Economic situation in Yeltsin’s presidency, 1991-1999  Politics in Russia 1991-1999 | Sakwa, Ch. 13  (Reader II, pp.25/513-48/536) |  |
|  | 5 April | Quiz 2  Constitutional crisis of 1993  New constitution 1996 elections.  Low point of Russia’s influence.  Yeltsin’s demise  Russian institutions after 1993.  Role of the executive, legislative and judicial branches | Sakwa, Part II, Chs. 4-8. (Reader II, p.211/p.699 to the end) |  |
|  | 12 April | **MIDTERM EXAM** | | |
|  | 19 April | Understanding national identity in the post-Soviet space | Smith pp.1-138 |  |
|  | 26 April | Post-Soviet Wars and nationalist conflicts:  Understanding conflicts  1st and 2nd Chechnya War  Wars in Georgia | Zurcher pp. 1-151 |  |
|  | 3 May | Quiz 3  Karabakh conflict  Wars that did not happen  Near Abroad | Zurcher pp. 152-230  Toal pp. 17-92, |  |
|  | 1. May | Near Abroad  Color revolutions  Quiz 4 | Toal pp. 274-302  Wilson  Lucanway |  |
|  | 17 May | Putinism  Role of energy in foreign policy considerations of Russia and pursuit of “great power” status  Russia’s involvement in Syria and Ukraine | Fish  Newman  Policy brief  Souleimanov  Cornell |  |
|  | 24 May | Significance of cooperation with Iran and Turkey. Positioning Russia vs. America and its local allies  Relations with the West | Aaghaei Jobani  Lamoureaux  Gerber  Halle |  |
|  | 31 May | Quiz 5  What is future for Russia? | <https://www.politico.com/f/?id=0000016b-a5a1-d241-adff-fdf908e00001> Ch. 2, 3, abstracts of Part III chapters |  |
|  | 7 June | Wrap up- Final Review |  |  |
|  | **TBD** | **ZAVRŠNI ISPITI/FINAL EXAM** |  |  |