

Course Description

Course Unit

The Study of Cultures

UC Code

LAC1.57233

ECTS Credits

6 ECTS

Work Hours

168H (6 ECTS)

Level

BA

Academic year and Semester

2024/2025, S1

Faculty

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Class

TP 4

Language of instruction

English

Class Description

This course unit studies cultures from the perspective of the humanities. It is an introduction to cultural theory and the ongoing process of making, unmaking, and remaking cultures through analyzing and interpreting literary and philosophical texts in Portuguese and English that define the human condition. Texts taken from Portuguese cultural history, from its origins to Eduardo Lourenço, and works by Joseph Conrad ("Heart of Darkness"), E.M. Forster ("A Passage to India"), Iris Murdoch ("The Sovereignty of Good"), and J.M. Coetzee ("Disgrace"), among others, will be analyzed.

Grading and Assessment

Two tests (30%+30%) + One written assignment (20%) + oral and written participation in class/
continuous assessment (20%)

Bibliography

A good spoken and written English level is recommended as the course is taught in English.

Prerequisites (if applicable)

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