

Module Details for STALINISM AND SOCIETY IN EASTERN EUROPE

Current Record**Module Details****Module Code** RUS802**Module Name** STALINISM AND SOCIETY IN EASTERN EUROPE**Module Short Title****ECTS weighting** 10**Semester/term taught****Contact Hours** 2 hours per week**Module Personnel****Learning Outcomes**

Module Learning Aims The course focuses on aspects of social life in Soviet-type regimes in Central and Eastern Europe, in the Stalinist period. The course aims to outline the utopian vision of society in communist ideology, and the various social transformations that took place as part of the monumental project of building socialism. The attempt to create the society of 'New Men' will be contrasted with the everyday social realities of 'actually existing socialism'. The course follows a comparative perspective, thus equal attention will be given to the Soviet Union and the countries of the so-called Soviet bloc in Eastern Europe. By laying special emphasis on everyday life, the course will show the limits of the Sovietisation project in Soviet Europe.

Module Content The course follows a standard lecture/seminar format. Each week students will be required to read and discuss reading assignments and/or give a presentation on a given topic.

Recommended Reading List**Module Pre Requisite****Module Co Requisite**

Assessment Details

1. 1 seminar presentation (10 mins.) (PASS/FAIL)
2. 1 essay in MT 50%
3. 1 essay in HT 50%

Module Website

**Module
approval date**

Approved By

**Academic
Start Year**

Academic Year 2014/15
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