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|  | **Course Syllabus** |

1. **Course Title:**

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| Socialist Modernity |

1. **Academic Level:**

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| Master |

1. **ECTS Credits:**

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| 3 ECTS |

1. **Semester:**

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| 1, autumn semester; 2 spring semester |

1. **School/Department:**

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| Institute of History and International Relations |

1. **Location:**

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| 140 Pushkinskaya St., Rostov-on-Don |

1. **Instructor:**

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1. **Language of Instruction:**

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| English |

1. **Course Description:**

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| The discipline (Scientific Seminar) "Socialist Modernity" is intended for undergraduates of 1 year (1-2 semester) of study in the direction of 46.04.01 History and is an integral part of the block of variable disciplines (elective disciplines) of the program "46.04.01 History (Socialist and post-socialist studies)" in accordance with the educational standard. The discipline "Socialist Modernity" aims to form students ' ideas about the socio-political and cultural features of the reconstruction of Soviet society in the twentieth century in the context of the paradigm of modernization and the philosophy of rationalism. |

1. **Course Aims:**

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| - to study the main directions of the development of Soviet society in the social, political, ideological and cultural spheres throughout the existence of the Soviet state;  - to study the philosophical and ideological foundations of the Soviet project as an integral part of the process of world modernization;  - to identify and analyze the historical significance of the Soviet project for the world civilization and the Russian state. |

1. **Specific entry requirements (if any):**

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1. **Course Content:**

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| **Module 1.** Theorists.  Introduction. Modernity and modernism.  Revolutionary ideology. Marx and Marxism.  Revolutionary strategy. Lenin and the party as a vanguard of the proletariat.  Revolution and the everyday life. Trotsky and Soviet avant garde.  The return of the state. Stalin and the socialism-in-one-country project.  **Module 2.** The structure of socialist modernity.  Socialist nations.  Gender equality and policies.  Socialist biopolitics. Body cultures in the USSR.  Epistemological propaganda: knowledge for all.  Socialism as a global project.  **Module 3.** The people and things of socialist modernity.  Socialist materiality  The new Soviet person: a project that never ended.  Conclusion: Socialism as part of global modernity. |

1. **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

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| **Knowledge**:  - knowledge of factual material, including the chronology of the main historical events;  - to understand the driving forces and laws of the historical process, the place of the individual in the historical process, the political organization of society;  - knowledge in the field of general and national history.  **Skills**:  - the ability to understand, critically analyze and present historical information;  - the ability to build oral speech in a correct, logical and argumentative way;  - the ability to interact on the basis of accepted moral and legal norms in society, to treat another culture with tolerance. |

1. **Learning and Teaching Methods:**

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| lecture, seminar |

1. **Methods of Assessment/Final assessment information:**

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| Pass-fail test |

1. **Reading List:**

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| 1. Khisamutdinova R. R. Soviet Union on the eve and during the Great Patriotic War [Electronic resource]: textbook for the lecture course / Khisamutdinova R. R. - Orenburg: OGPU, 2015. - 248 p. 2. Atsyukovsky V. A. Works of V.I. Lenin 1917 and the Second Socialist Revolution / V.A. Atsukovsky - 2nd ed. - Moscow: Direct-Media, 2014. - 388 p.   3. Semenov, V.S. Socialism and revolutions of the XXI century. Russia and the world [Text] / V. S. Semenov - Moscow: URSS, 2009. - 656 p. |