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| **Course Title: Modern Ireland 1: history, politics and culture** | **Credits: 3** |
| **Type of course** lecture, two hours per week by 15 weeks = 30 hours per semester |
| **Method of assessment**: written examination |
| **Suggested semester**: Three (Autumn/Winter) |
| **Prerequisites** *(if any)*:None |
| **Course description**:  |
| **This course surveys major events in Irish history from the late 17th century to the late 19th century. Beginning with Edmund Spenser’s work, *A View of the State of Ireland* from 1633, the course examines the evolution of Irish politics over three centuries and the ways in which Irish culture reflected historical events and political conflicts. Students will read a variety of texts in relation to this; historical, political and literary. A range of themes will be considered; Gaelic Irish culture and Anglo-Irish culture; religious identiy and religious division; nationalism, unionism and colonialism.** |
| 3-5 items of Required and recommended reading with bibliographical details (author, title, publisher, place and date of publication, pages, ISBN): |
| **Required reading:****Edmund Spenser, *A View of the State of Ireland*, ed. Andrew Hadfield and Willy Maley (Oxford: Blackwell, 1997). ISBN: 0-631-20535-7 (Order 2-3 copies for PPKE library)****Kinsella, Thomas, trans., *An Duanaire 1600-1900: Poems of the Dispossessed* (Dublin: Dolmen Press, 1990) (3 copies already in PPKE library)****Whelan, Kevin, *Tree of Liberty: Radicalism, Catholicism, and the Construction of Irish Identity*, 1760-1830 (Critical Conditions/Field Day: University of Notre Dame Press, 1997). ISBN: 978-0268018948 (Order 2-3 copies for PPKE library)****Recommended reading:****English, Richard, *Irish Freedom: the History of Nationalism in Ireland* (London: Pan Books, 2006) (1 copy alraedy in PPKE library)****Foster, R.F. *Modern Ireland: 1600-1972* (London: Penguin 1989). ISBN: 978-0140132502 (Order 1-2 copies for PPKE library)****Foster, R.F., ed., *The Oxford Illustrated History of Ireland* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1989) (2 copies already in PPKE library)** |
| **Lecturer responsible for course: Dr. Michael McAteer, Associate Professor** |
| **Lecturers participating in teaching: Dr. Michael McAteer, Associate Professor** |