

## History UG

<b>Semester: 4</b>				
<b>Programme : History</b>				
<b>Course : Rise of the Modern West II (17th and 18th centuries)</b>				
<b>Paper code: C2HS230421T</b>			<b>Credits: 4</b>	
<b>Hours/week : 4</b>				
<b>Category: Core/MDC/SEC/VAC : Core (Major)</b>				
<b>Theory / Practical / Composite : Theory</b>				
<b>No of Modules : 2</b>				
<p><b>Course Overview: This course examines the transformative period of early modern Europe, beginning with the transition from feudalism to capitalism and the socio-economic implications of the Brenner Debate. It investigates the political upheavals of the seventeenth century, including the Thirty Years War and the English Civil War, leading to the rise of parliamentary monarchy and enlightened absolutism. Students will explore the intellectual foundations of the Scientific Revolution and the Enlightenment, alongside the expansion of mercantilism and overseas colonial ventures. The curriculum also addresses the structural crises of the 17th century and the evolving economic patterns that served as a prelude to the Industrial Revolution. By analyzing these shifts, the course provides a comprehensive understanding of the foundations of modern European society and politics.</b></p>				
<b>Course Outcome:</b>				
1. Identify key historical milestones such as the Treaty of Westphalia, the Glorious Revolution, and the major figures of the Scientific Revolution.				
2. Explain the core arguments of the Brenner Debate regarding the transition from feudalism and the fundamental principles of Mercantilism				
3. Relate the social and economic theories of the Enlightenment to the changing political landscapes of 18th-century European monarchies.				
4. Differentiate between the patterns of Absolutism in Continental Europe and the development of Parliamentary Monarchy in Britain.				
5. Assess the impact of the Thirty Years War and the 17th-century crisis on the subsequent restructuring of European diplomatic and social orders.				
6. Construct a comprehensive argument explaining how colonial expansion and pre-industrial social developments converged to trigger the Industrial Revolution.				
<b>Prerequisites: Basic knowledge about any prior course</b>				
<b>SYLLABUS</b>				
<b>UNIT/Module</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>	<b>HOURS or NUMBER OF CLASSES</b>	<b>CO Mapping</b>	<b>COGNITIVE LEVEL</b>
I.	• Unit 1: Europe in transition – the	18	CO1 CO2	KI,K2,K3,K4.K5,K6

	<p>Brenner Debate  The Thirty Years War – Causes and impact, Treaty of Westphalia  17th century European crisis: economic, social and political dimensions</p>		<p><b>CO3</b>  <b>CO4</b>  <b>CO5</b>  <b>CO6</b></p>	
	<p>Unit 2:  The English Civil War – social, economic and political issues.  From the Civil War to the Glorious Revolution – the Cromwellian regime, the Restoration, the broader context of the Glorious Revolution</p>			
	<p>Unit 3:  Mercantilism and the European economy - 17th and 18th centuries.  European colonial ventures</p>			
<b>II.</b>	<p>Unit 4:  The Scientific Revolution in Europe  Major themes in the European Enlightenment</p>	<b>18</b>	<p><b>CO1</b>  <b>CO2</b>  <b>CO3</b>  <b>CO4</b>  <b>CO5</b>  <b>CO6</b></p>	<b>K1,K2,K3,K4.K5,K6</b>
	<p>Unit 5:  European politics in the 18th century – European overseas expansion, patterns of Absolutism in Europe.  The development of parliamentary monarchy in Britain</p>			
	<p>Unit 6:  Preludes to the Industrial Revolution in Europe – Economic and social developments</p>			
<b>Text Books</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Merriman, A History of Modern Europe from the Renaissance to the Present</li> <li>• Merry E. Weisner-Hanks, Early Modern Europe -</li> </ul>				

- Beat Kumin ed. The European World -
- Joseph Bergin ed. The Seventeenth Century, Europe -
- H. Butterfield, The Origins of Modern Science.
- Carlo M. Cipolla, Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vols. II and III.
- Carlo M. Cipolla, Before the Industrial Revolution, European Society and Economy,
- D.C. Coleman (ed.), Revisions in Mercantilism.
- Antonio di Vittorio ed. An Economic History of Europe: From Expansion to Development
- Peter H Wilson ed. A Companion to 18th Century Europe
- R. Hall, From Galileo to Newton.
- Christopher Hill, A Century of Revolutions.
- Stephen J. Lee, Aspects of European History, -
- G. Parker, Europe in Crisis, - .
- G. Parker and L.M. Smith, General Crisis of the Seventeenth Century.
- J. V. Polisensky, War and Society in Europe. - .
- Theodore K. Rabb, The Struggle for Stability in Early Modern Europe.
- V. Scammell, The First Imperial Age: European Overseas Expansion, - .
- Jan de Vries, Economy of Europe in an Age of Crisis - .
- Roy Porter, The Enlightenment.

#### **Suggested readings**

- M. S. Anderson, Europe in the Eighteenth Century.
- Perry Anderson, The Lineages of the Absolutist State.
- Stuart Andrews, Eighteenth Century Europe.
- B. H. Slicher von Bath, The Agrarian History of Western Europe.
- The Cambridge Economic History of Europe. Vol. I - VI.
- Peter Kriedte, Peasants, Landlords and Merchant Capitalists.
- J. Lynch, Spain under the Hapsburgs.
- Peter Mathias, First Industrial revolution.
- The New Cambridge Modern History of Europe, Vols. I - VII.
- L. W. Owie, Seventeenth Century Europe.
- D. H. Pennington, Seventeenth Century Europe.

#### **Web Resources**

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- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

#### **Evaluation: Theory**

**CIA: 5+ Mid Sem: 20+ Attendance: 5 =30**

**Semester Exam: 70**

#### **Paper Structure for Theory Semester Exam:**

**Total Marks: 70**

**Two modules of 35 marks each.**

**(3 questions of 5 marks from 5 options: 3X5=15**

**2 questions of 10 marks from 3 options: 2X10=20**

**Course outcomes (COs) and Cognitive Level Mapping**

<b>COs</b>	<b>CO Description</b>	<b>Cognitive levels</b>
<b>CO1</b>	<b>Identify key historical milestones such as the Treaty of Westphalia, the Glorious Revolution, and the major figures of the Scientific Revolution.</b>	<b>K1</b>
<b>CO2</b>	<b>Explain the core arguments of the Brenner Debate regarding the transition from feudalism and the fundamental principles of Mercantilism</b>	<b>K2</b>
<b>CO3</b>	<b>Relate the social and economic theories of the Enlightenment to the changing political landscapes of 18th-century European monarchies.</b>	<b>K3</b>
<b>CO4</b>	<b>Differentiate between the patterns of Absolutism in Continental Europe and the development of Parliamentary Monarchy in Britain.</b>	<b>K4</b>
<b>CO5</b>	<b>Assess the impact of the Thirty Years War and the 17th-century crisis on the subsequent restructuring of European diplomatic and social orders.</b>	<b>K5</b>
<b>CO6</b>	<b>Construct a comprehensive argument explaining how colonial expansion and pre-industrial social developments converged to trigger the Industrial Revolution.</b>	<b>K6</b>