

Master's degree in Chinese Studies
China's Economy and Foreign Trade (31419)
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SUBJECT: China's Economy and Foreign Trade (31419)

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General competences

Instrumental	Interpersonal	Systemic
GC 2	GC 7	GC 10
GC 3	GC 8	GC 12
GC 4	GC 9	
GC 5		

Specific competences of the degree

SC 1 / SC 2 / SC 5 / SC 6 / SC 9 / SC 10 / SC 11 / SC 13

Specific competences of the subject

- Ability to recognise the main aspects of the Chinese economy and understand its development.
- Ability to establish the main existing differences with the western economies, starting from the banking system, labour relations, etc.
- Ability to analyse China's economic relations with other countries around it and with the rest of the world.
- Ability to interpret and analyse economic data of China.
- Ability to analyse the external side of China's economy.
- Ability to understand the sectors and Chinese exporting mechanisms.
- Ability to develop international management projects in China.
- Ability to manage the foreign trade of companies in China and take part in economic or commercial negotiations with institutions in China.
- Interpreting and analysing economic data of China and surroundings.

Results of learning

- To identify and describe the recent emergence of China's economy and its surroundings.
- To identify and describe the main sectors of industrial activity and services in China.
- To identify and describe the foreign sectors of the Chinese economy and surroundings.
- To identify and describe the different cases of recent evolution of bilateral trade relations in China and other countries.

- To identify, describe and study experiences of Spanish companies in China.
- To identify and describe the labour system and trade unionism in the countries of the area.

Syllabus

Block 1: The Chinese Economic Miracle

- 1.1. China in 1978.
- 1.2. Determinants of the Chinese Miracle.
- 1.3. China, the major winner of the globalization.
- 1.4. Consequences of the development of China.
- 1.5. Exercise.

Block 2: China's Foreign Trade

- 2.1. The multilateral trade system and the WTO: China's entry.
- 2.2. Trade relations between China and the world.
- 2.3. The international trade reality: tariffs, antidumping, etc.
- 2.4. Exercise.

There is a complete dossier on the subject with bibliography and all the available material at the Photocopying service (Océ).

Training activities

Face-to-face

Group classes: 1 ECTS

Seminars: 2 ECTS

Face-to-face tutorials: 0.5 ECTS

Virtual

Reading and analysis of sources and academic articles: 1 ECTS

Virtual tutorials: 0.5 ECTS

Methodology

- Group classes with presentations and visual electronic support (PowerPoint...).
- The study of cases and problems, reading, commentary and analytical discussion of texts or critical articles.

Information Technologies (IT)

- Use of moodle
- E-mail
- Audiovisual resources from the library

Evaluating the acquisition of competences

The teacher will opt for several of the following systems of assessment that will be balanced and continuous in all the subjects of the degree:

- Active participation and personal contribution to the in-class training activities: debates, discussions, analysis, text commentaries...
- Knowledge tests about the contents and the competences of the subject.
- Individual writing of a project (working paper: text commentary, monograph, analysis of primary or secondary sources...).
- In-class oral presentations.
- Group project.
- In-class comments on articles.
- Reading to be prepared at home and discussed in class.
- Videos to be watched at home and discussed in class.
- Two exercises:
 - o Economy: 26th October
 - o Trade: 25th November
- Final mark: class commentaries (5) + the average mark of the exercises (to improve the mark).

Language in which the subject is taught

Catalan.