Barcelona is nowadays a very cosmopolitan city with a great international projection. This course is an introduction to the city of Barcelona by studying its past and analyzing its present. This course will review the most important moments in the urban development of Barcelona focusing in the ways these events can be seen in the present layout of the city. We will also analyze the expressions of Catalan and Mediterranean identity in its buildings and traditions.

Methodology:
This course will use a combination of lectures and students presentations with field visits and some field work. Some of the sessions in the classroom will be used for discussion and other for lectures by the teacher. Attendance to the class and visits is mandatory.

Absence policy
The UPF does not distinguish between an “excused” and “unexcused” absence. The absence policy is the following:

3 absences: students loses one point out of ten
4 absences : students loses two points out of ten.
5 absences or more: Student receives an “incomplete” for the course

Method of Evaluation:

- Class Participation (10%)
- Mid Term Exam (20%)
- Final Exam (40%)
- Group Project, paper and in class presentation 30%

Schedule:

15 JUNE
Introduction to the course
Barcelona in its geographical context
16 JUNE
Barcelona Today: Overview of the city past and present
17 JUNE
Barcelona Today: Why Barcelona is so popular today?
21 JUNE
Barcino: The Roman Barcelona
22 JUNE
The creation and expansion of Medieval Barcelona
23 JUNE
Walking tour: Roman and Medieval city

28 JUNE
The pre-industrial city: La Ciutadella
29 JUNE
The urbanization of the Industrial city: Cerdà’s Eixample.

30 JUNE
Barcelona and The Spanish Civil war
1 JULY
MID TERM EXAM

5 JULY
Introduction of “The Barcelona Model”
6 JULY
Walking tour: Building a sense of collective identity in a neighborhood: The Barceloneta case
7 JULY
Sense of place at Barcelona’s neighborhoods.
8 JULY
Rethinking “The Barcelona model”

12 JULY
Barcelona nowadays: a Cosmopolitan and Touristy city?
13 JULY
Barça o Barsa? Football and immigration in Barcelona
14 JULY
15 JULY
The other edges of Barcelona and its implications: Rivers, new Airport and El Forum.

19 JULY
Class presentations and review for final exam
20 JULY
Class presentations and review for final exam
21 JULY
FINAL EXAM
22 JULY
Final Evaluations and Conclusions of the Course
Bibliography


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