POLITICAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY OF YUGOSLAVIA:
FORMATION AND DISSOLUTION
(1918-1992)

The course gives an introduction to the political, constitutional and legal history of Yugoslavia beginning with its formation as the unitary authoritarian Kingdom, through its renovation as the multi-ethnic communist federation, up to its dissolution and formation of the new nation-states. The course will examine the concepts of integration of multi-ethnic society and why they failed. The course will be focused on organization of power and political system but it will also look at relevant ideologies, types of ownership and control of economy, rights of citizens, and respective international environment, with particular attention to the process of dissolution. The principal aim of the course is to give the student basis for deeper understanding of political and institutional reality that emerged with a breakdown of Yugoslavia as well as to help understand better nation-building tendencies elsewhere in Europe and the world.