

## **Abstract**

The diploma thesis *Fashoda Crisis as a Path to Franco-British Reconciliation?* deals with the event of Fashoda crisis, the events that had preceded the conflict and the consequences on the Franco-British relations at the dawn of 19<sup>th</sup> century. The main objective of the thesis is to clarify the background, later development, and the outcome of the event. Throughout the thesis am focusing on the historical background with emphasis on the colonization of Egypt and its importance in the Franco-British relations. I am also putting the emphasis on clarifying the possible reasons that led to the Fashoda crisis as well as on introducing the main protagonists and their plans to take advantage of the crisis. The thesis than chronologically continues to evaluate the critical months at the end of 1898 and the beginning of 1899, which could be understood as the culmination point of the crisis. The thesis also tries to assess the mood and opinion of the public in both countries in the course of the crisis and even after signing the accords that put an end to this quarrel. At least I am trying to define and to evaluate the impact and influence of this specific event on the latter development of international relations between the two countries and also, I am trying to answer the question whether the Fashoda crisis can be considered as a first step to an *entente cordiale*.