Historical Sociology (K001038)

Valid as from the academic year 2015-2016

Course Specifications

Lecturers in academic year 2019-2020
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PS04 lecturer-in-charge

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2019-2020
A (semester 2) Dutch
practicum 7.5 h
lecture 45.0 h
microteaching 2.5 h

Offered in the following programmes in 2019-2020
Bachelor of Science in Political Science 6 A
Bachelor of Science in Sociology 6 A

Teaching languages
Dutch

Keywords
Social change, macro sociology, neolithic revolution, capitalism, welfare state, post-materialism, secularization, network society.

Position of the course
The aim of the course is to show the importance and the functioning of social processes underlying the transformation of key societal institutions. The societal and historical roots of some central institutions of Western society are discussed.

Contents
In the course, the key transitions in society are discussed: the neolithic revolution, the rise of the first states, capitalism and the industrial society, the capitalist world system, the modern nation and the welfare state. Also some more recent cultural and structural transformations are discussed, such as the post-material cultural shift, secularization and the network society.

Initial competences
Sociology (1Ba)

Final competences
Knowledge of key sociological models of societal change.
Ability to interpret contemporary societal problems from the perspective of social change.
Ability to understand and comment sociological explanations of recent cultural and structural transformations.

Conditions for credit contract
Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract
Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

Teaching methods
Lecture, microteaching, practicum

Extra information on the teaching methods

(Approved)
Students subdivided in small teams select a theme which will be analyzed from the perspective of theories and insights taught in the lessons. Students prepare a presentation in which they summarize their analysis. The preparation of this presentation will be followed-up intensively (skills lab) and will include the training of meeting, presentation and analytic skills. The presentation will be organized as a plenary class meeting (micro teaching).

Learning materials and price

A text book, and selected articles Cost: 20 EUR

References


Course content-related study coaching

Handouts available via Minerva.

Evaluation methods

end-of-term evaluation and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period

Oral examination

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period

Oral examination

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

Oral examination, assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation

eexamination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

Extra information on the examination methods

Oral examination (with preparation time).
Presentation and paper
classical presentation and paper on the basis of the skills lab exercises
Second Exam period (NPE) : paper

Calculation of the examination mark

Period bound evaluation (85%)
Permanent evaluation (15%).