

## Introduction to Sociology (F710271)

Due to Covid 19, the education and evaluation methods may vary from the information displayed in the schedules and course details. Any changes will be communicated on Ufora.

Course size (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)  
Credits 3.0 Study time 90 h Contact hrs 30.0 h

### Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2020-2021

Offering	Language	Location	Teaching Method	Hours
A (semester 2)	Dutch	Gent	lecture	30.0 h
			online lecture	0.0 h

### Lecturers in academic year 2020-2021

Vanderstraeten, Alex EB23 lecturer-in-charge

### Offered in the following programmes in 2020-2021

Programme	crdts	offering
<a href="#">Bachelor of Science in Public Administration and Management</a>	3	A
<a href="#">Bachelor of Science in Business Administration</a>	3	A

### Teaching languages

Dutch

### Keywords

General sociology, social system theory, organizational sociology, sociological theories

### Position of the course

The emphasis lies on social and economic actions of people, groups, organizations and societies. We use a system theoretical approach through which specific economic, organizational and management phenomena can be placed in a broader sociological framework. Subsequently, classical sociological theories and concepts are presented, with special attention to organizational sociological and management insights. The classic division of micro, meso and macro levels is widely discussed, in which we always use the necessary sociological building blocks.

### Contents

- Sociology as a science
- Social systems and system thinking
- Social action as the basics of sociology
- Social positions and the way of ascription, income inequality
- Social mobility
- Social interaction and communication
- Culture as a sociological product, socialization, organizational cultures
- Typology of social systems
  - Microsociology of individual social interaction
  - Groups
  - Networks and collectivities
  - Organizations
  - Societies

### Initial competences

### Final competences

- 1 Knowledge of sociological concepts and theories
- 2 Insight into different ways of sociological thinking
- 3 The application of different sociological insights in concrete social phenomena
- 4 Understanding sociological thinking as a basis for economic and social action

### Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

#### Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

#### Teaching methods

Lecture, online lecture

#### Extra information on the teaching methods

college

#### Learning materials and price

- Manual: Vanderstraeten, A. (2020) Sociologische basisinzichten voor economen en managers. Gent, OWP Press.
  - Slides
  - Small scientific presentations (TED conferences), transcripts
- Estimated cost: 35 euro

#### References

#### Course content-related study coaching

Individual

#### Evaluation methods

end-of-term evaluation

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

Written examination with multiple choice questions

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

Written examination with multiple choice questions

#### Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

#### Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation

not applicable

#### Extra information on the examination methods

Written exam via multiple choice

#### Calculation of the examination mark

100% multiple choice exam