

The Problems of Social Stratification - course description

General information	
Course name	The Problems of Social Stratification
Course ID	14.2-WP-SOC-PZRS
Faculty	Faculty of Social Sciences
Field of study	WNS - oferta ERASMUS / Sociology
Education profile	-
Level of studies	Second-cycle Erasmus programme
Beginning semester	winter term 2019/2020
Head faculty	Faculty of Social Sciences

Course information	
ECTS credits to win	4
Course type	obligatory
Teaching language	english
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Classes forms					
The class form	Hours per semester (full-time)	Hours per week (full-time)	Hours per semester (part-time)	Hours per week (part-time)	Form of assignment
Class	30	2	-	-	Credit with grade

Aim of the course

The aim of the subject is providing students of knowledge of different dimensions of social stratification (f.e. cultural, professional, class, regional, generational and other dimensions). Providing knowledge of different perspectives in social stratification theories and about results of empirical studies about it.

Prerequisites

No special prerequisites

Scope

Lecture:

1. Social problems. Social stratification.
2. Theories of social stratification.
3. Theories about elits.
4. Theories of national and ethnical divisions.
5. New Middle class.
6. Underclass conceptions.

Classes:

1. The old and the new dimensions of division of society.
2. Participating in public sphere.
3. Social exclusion.
4. Digital exclusion problems.
5. Poverty as a social problem.
6. Social conflicts and stratification.

Teaching methods

Lecture: lecture with discussion.

Class: class discussion. Small groups discussion. Multimedia learning process – using Power Point presentations, use of filmstrips, recordings etc. Open textbook study. Problem solving or case studies

Learning outcomes and methods of theirs verification

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A student knows the theories of social stratification and can use them to analyzing contemporary phenomena. The student knows cultural and structural factors of belonging to different social levels and factors important in case of participating in public sphere activities. The student knows how to present his knowledge and opinions about social stratification in oral and in written way. The student knows how to collect data and information about stratification.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class: Credit with grade on the basis of presentation and written papers. The class will be divided up into discussion/presentation groups. Students will organize and prepare oral presentations and demonstrations to the class explaining assigned chapters from the texts. Each student is likely to make one presentation during the semester. Lecture: written exam. Final grade will be the average of class and exam credit. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class

Assignment conditions

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Lecture: written exam.

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Recommended reading

1. Adamski, P. Machonin, W. Zapf (red.), Structural Change and Modernization in Post-Socialist Societies, red. W. "Krämer", Hamburg 2002.

Further reading

1. Corak M., Do Poor Children Become Poor Adults? Lessons from a Cross Country Comparison of Generational Earnings Mobility. Research on Economic Inequality, 2006, 13 no.
2. Higley J., Lengyel G. (2000), Elites after State Socialism. Theories and Analysis, Roman & Littlefield Publisher, INC., Lanham, Boulder, New York, Oxford 2000.
3. Goldthorpe J.H., Social mobility and class structure in modern Britain, Clarendon Press, Oxford 1980.

Notes

the subject can be run every semester, in case there is not enough persons to make a group there will be individual class run during instructor hours.

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