

Sociology of Marriage and Family - course description

General information	
Course name	Sociology of Marriage and Family
Course ID	14.2-WP-SOC- SMIR
Faculty	Faculty of Social Sciences
Field of study	WNS - oferta ERASMUS / Sociology
Education profile	-
Level of studies	First-cycle Erasmus programme
Beginning semester	winter term 2018/2019
Head faculty	Faculty of Social Sciences

Course information	
ECTS credits to win	6
Course type	obligatory
Teaching language	english
Author of syllabus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">dr Joanna Frątczak-Müller

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 with complex knowledge of issue of family and marriage. The extra aim is preparing students for implementing knowledge of this form of life and making diagnosis of contemporary types of family life.

Prerequisites

No special prerequisites

Scope

Lecture:

1. Family as primary group and reference group
2. Family as social institution
3. Family function and its structure
4. Collectivism and individualism vs traditional type of family
5. Types of marriage and family
6. Situation of modern polish family – do we have crisis of family?

Classes:

1. Marriage selection. Theories and models.
2. Changes of function and internal structure of family.
3. Knowledge sources about marital roles.
4. Changes of family life – theories of I. and II. demographic transition.
5. Alternatives forms of family life.
6. Disorganisation and pathology of family.

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

Outcome description	Outcome symbols	Methods of verification	The class form
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The student knows the most important concepts of and theoretical orientations in sociological studies of the family and marriage. The student can distinguish components of the family as an institution. The student has basic knowledge about action mechanism of small, primary groups. The student can describe them and he know relationships between family and individuals. Is able to describe basic elements of socializations environment and define its influence on process of identity creation. The student knows how to work in groups and present his knowledge and opinions about theories of marriage and family in oral and in written way. The student knows how to collect data and information about elementary types of family.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class: Credit with grade on the basis of presentation and written papers. The class will be divided 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 examination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class

Assignment conditions

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Lecture: written examination

Final grade will be the average of class and exam credit.

Recommended reading

1. Bittman M., Pixley J. "The Double Life of the Family, Myth, Hope and Experience", Allen and Unwin, Sydney 1997.
2. Brian W., Stacey S., Carl W. "Marriages, families, and intimate relationships: A practical Introductions" (2nd Edition), Pearson, Boston 2008.
3. Hochschild A.R., Machung A. „The Second Shift". Penguin Books, New York 2003.

Further reading

None

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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