

Syllabus

Course Description

Course Title	Principles of Sociology
Course Code	17261
Course Title Additional	
Scientific-Disciplinary Sector	GSPS-05/A
Language	English
Degree Course	Bachelor in Communication Sciences and Culture
Other Degree Courses (Loaned)	
Lecturers	Prof. Ilaria Riccioni, Ilaria.Riccioni@unibz.it https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/education/academic-staff/person/14335
Teaching Assistant	
Semester	First semester
Course Year/s	1
CP	6
Teaching Hours	45
Lab Hours	0
Individual Study Hours	105
Planned Office Hours	18
Contents Summary	The course provides a general overview of the scientific content and foundations of sociology in terms of basic concepts, theories and methods of sociological knowledge. The distinction between micro-, meso- and macro-sociology and their respective theoretical frameworks will be introduced.
Course Topics	What is society and how it is observed: issues, problems and methodology of sociology Basic concepts of sociology: role, status, group, class, structure, institution. The stages and design of social research: from hypotheses to

	<p>theoretical dimension, operational concepts for field research.</p> <p>Qualitative research: life histories</p> <p>The protosociologists and main theories</p> <p>Early Sociology: Introduction to the basic concepts of sociology in the work of K. Marx</p> <p>É. Durkheim, solidarity; the study of suicide; the elementary forms of religious life.</p> <p>Max Weber: the process of rationalization in modernity; typologies; the social action and power. Structure of values.</p> <p>Georg Simmel, How society is possible, the conflict of modern civilization;</p> <p>The elitists: G. Mosca, R. Michels., V. Pareto: The logical and non-logical actions, the circulation of elites, the concept of the ruling class.</p> <p>Contemporary sociological approaches</p>
Keywords	Sociology - everyday life - theories - methodologies - social research - social understanding.
Recommended Prerequisites	
Propaedeutic Courses	
Teaching Format	Lectures and class presentations.
Mandatory Attendance	In accordance with the regulation
Specific Educational Objectives and Learning Outcomes	<p>Principles and foundations of sociology sps07 general sociology, area di base</p> <p>The aim of the course is to provide students with a general ability to understand social dynamics and their overall implications in the communication society.</p> <p>The learning outcomes need to refer to the Dublin Descriptors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge and understanding - Applying knowledge and understanding - Making judgments - Communication skills - Learning skills
Specific Educational Objectives and Learning Outcomes (additional info.)	
Assessment	- written exam - (open-ended questions) + optional oral

	<p>exam to verify the elaboration of experiences and/or topics of the course</p> <p>+ Project work (written projects/applied projects/class presentation)</p>
Evaluation Criteria	<p>The final grade will be based on: relevant to the written exam (with questions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ability to interact with the concepts and theories and apply them to everyday situations; - logical structure - ability to argue - accuracy <p>For the oral exam: speaking skills, argumentation skills, critical analysis skills, ability to summarize in one's own words, reflection.</p> <p>Written projects or class presentations will be evaluated with a plus or a minus on the basis of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - communication skills shown - abilities to summarize topics - ability to argue - accuracy
Required Readings	<p>The course books will be indicated on the first day of class.</p>
Supplementary Readings	<p>Each lecture will include suggested readings appropriate to the topic.</p>
Further Information	
Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	<p>No poverty, Quality education, Peace, justice and strong institutions, Reduced inequalities, Gender equality</p>