



SOCIOLOGY

Credit points	3 CP		
Study course annotation	The course provides knowledge of sociology as a science, an idea of the subject of sociology, its main areas and methods, as well as the foundations of society. The sociology course builds knowledge about the role of individual action and collective behavior, social consciousness, social values, norms, social differentiation, institutions, and social movements in shaping society. Students learn to work with scientific literature, analyze information, present their conclusions.		
Aim of the study course	The aim of the course is to provide knowledge about sociology as a science, its historical development, the basic methods and directions of sociology, the foundations of modern and postmodern society. The course builds scientific skills in the knowledge of social phenomena by conducting sociological research.		
Study course results	Knowledge	Skills	Competences
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of the theoretical paradigms of sociology and the history of its development • In-depth knowledge and ability to critically evaluate the basic theories of sociology. • Knowledge of the basic concepts of sociology. • Ability to navigate the main sociological directions, disciplines and theories. • Know the basic laws of society as a system. • There is an idea of the elements and functions of the structure of society as a system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be able to use an innovative approach in solving complex sociological problems. • Learns basic skills in studying scientific literature and creating conclusions. • Will be able to analyze the elements of the social system using appropriate psychological terminology. • Will be able to operate with the basic concepts of sociology • Will be able to distinguish scientifically based information from the popular scientific community as a system understanding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By successfully completing this study course, students acquire an understanding of • sociology as a science. • analysis of basic concepts and theories of sociology. • research methods of sociological science • to the main regularities of society as a system. • ethical norms of sociology • students will be able to apply the basic concepts of sociology. • select and analyze scientific literature on a specific topic. • accurately create and conduct presentations. • to adequately use scientific methods according to research tasks.
Study course content	Subject		
	1	Sociology as a science	
	2	Qualitative and quantitative methods of sociological research	
	3	The main sociological trends in the study of society: positivism and neopositivism, critical theory, functionalism, organicism, activity theory, symbolic interactionism, poststructuralism, postmodernism	
	4	Culture as a social phenomenon	
5	Individual and society		



	6	Social structure and social stratification
	7	Social organizations and social institutions
	8	Social changes in the modern world
Form of assessment:	Differentiated written assessment	
Obligatory literature:		
1. Scott J., and Gordon Marshall G. A Dictionary of Sociology (3 rev. ed.). Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015.		
2. Introduction to Sociology. Houston, Texas: OpenStax College, 2013 (text of the handbook: https://www.saylor.org/site/textbooks/OpenStax%20Sociology.pdf)		
3. Dolgon, Corey (2011) Social Problems. A Service Learning Approach / Corey Dolgon, Chris Baker. - SAGE Publications, Inc.		
Additional reading:		
1. Giddens A. Introduction to Sociology. 10th edition. WW.Norton&Company, 2016.		
2. Sociology and Human Rights. A Bill of Rights for the Twenty-First Century /ed. Judith Blau, Mark Frezzo. - SAGE Publications, Inc., 2012. - 295, [16] p. - (Sociology for a New Century)		
Other sources of information:		
1. European Sociological Association. https://www.europeansociology.org/		
Changes and additions to the program and literature list are possible during the study process		