

Subject card

Subject name and code	Contemporary Sociological Theories, PG_00148907						
Field of study	Sociology						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2024	Academic year of realisation of subject			2025/2026		
Education level	Bachelor's studies	Subject group			Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies	Mode of delivery			at the university		
Year of study	2	Language of instruction			Polish		
Semester of study	3	ECTS credits			3.0		
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form			credit		
Conducting unit	Division of Sociological Theory and Social Research Methodology -> Institute of Sociology -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Michał Kaczmarczyk				
	Teachers		dr Łukasz Remisiewicz dr hab. Daniel Wicenty				
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	30		2.0		43.0	75
Subject objectives	Orientation in basic theoretical perspectives enabling the analysis of social phenomena. Using theoretical categories to describe and explain empirical reality.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[SOCL3_W08] The graduate knows and understands in an advanced way the character and directions of the most significant changes in the scope of social structures and institutions and their elements, he/she has knowledge about the causes, course and consequences of these changes on a micro- and macro-social scale and on a global scale	Knows and understands the nature and directions of the most important changes in social structures and institutions and their elements, and has knowledge of the causes, course, and consequences of these changes on a micro- and macro-social scale and on a global scale, in the context of selected sociological theories.	[SW3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCL3_W09] The graduate knows and understands various views on social life and selected social structures and institutions expressed in the everyday world, public and scientific discourse, and is familiar with their historical evolution	Knows and understands different views on social life and selected social structures and institutions expressed in the everyday world, public and scientific discourse, and is aware of their historical evolution, taking into account selected sociological theories.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCL3_U08] The graduate is able to analyse current social phenomena in the context of knowledge about the mechanisms of human activity, the impact of a group on an individual and the processes of change that Polish society, European society and that of the world undergoes	Can critically evaluate various sociological theories and apply them to the analysis of specific examples. Can identify and explain the relationship between sociological theory and empirical research. Is able to develop his/her own scientific position on selected sociological theories.	[SU3] text preparation/written work [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCL3_K02] The graduate is ready to cooperate effectively and assume various roles in a group	The student is ready to cooperate and collaborate effectively in a group, assuming various roles in it, when analyzing and discussing issues in the field of selected sociological theories.	[SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCL3_U02] The graduate is able to use theoretical knowledge from different streams of sociology and acquire data to analyse specific social processes and phenomena	Can use theoretical knowledge from selected contemporary sociological theories to analyze specific social processes and phenomena.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[SOCL3_U10] The graduate will be able to prepare and deliver an oral speech in Polish and English on a selected issue in the field of sociology using basic theoretical approaches and various sources of knowledge about society	Can prepare and deliver an oral presentation in Polish and English on a selected topic in sociology using basic theoretical concepts and various sources of knowledge about society, including selected sociological theories.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/ discussion
	[SOCL3_W05] The graduate has advanced knowledge of man as a subject constituting social structures and the rules of their functioning, as well as acting in these structures and participating in cultural practices in the local, regional environment, the area of national culture and global exchange	Has in-depth knowledge of selected contemporary sociological theories, including their assumptions, methodology, and applications.	[SW1] oral statement/ conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCL3_U07] The graduate is able to analyse proposed solutions to a specific problem in sociology and decide on appropriate solutions	Can analyze proposed solutions to a specific problem in sociology and make decisions about appropriate solutions, based on selected sociological theories.	[SU3] text preparation/written work
	[SOCL3_K06] The graduate is ready to supplement and refine the acquired knowledge and skills	The student is ready to supplement and improve the acquired knowledge and skills in selected contemporary sociological theories.	[SK8] observation of student's independent or team work

Subject contents	1. Introductory class 2. Rational choice theory: J. Coleman 3. Evolutionary psychology and sociology 4. Ethnomethodology and conversational analysis 5. Symbolic interactionism 6. Dramaturgical perspective 7. Functionalism and middle-range theories 8. Conflict theories 9. Constructivist structuralism by Pierre Bourdieu 10. Neo-institutional perspective 11. Sociology oriented to global processes 12. New critical sociology 13. Theory of power: Michel Foucault		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	Completed the first year of study, knowledge of the course Introduction to Sociology		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Making mind maps depicting in graphic form the assumptions of the discussed readings	90.0%	20.0%
	Essay	51.0%	60.0%
	Discussing in the class	51.0%	20.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature		-
	Supplementary literature		-
	eResources addresses		
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	-		
Work placement	Not applicable		

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