

Faculty of Philosophy / SOCIOLOGY / Religion and Contemporary Sociolo. Research Course

Course:	Religion and Contemporary Sociolo. Research Course			
Course ID	Course status	Semester	ECTS credits	Lessons (Lessons+Exercises+Laboratory)
11384	Mandatory	6	6	2+2+0
Programs	SOCIOLOGY			
Prerequisites	No			
Aims	The goal of the class is to familiarize students with the modern foundations of the sociology of religion, so that the student acquires basic knowledge about the sociological aspects of religiosity, and the relationship between religion and society. Attendees will be trained for a better understanding of secularization and desecularization, their meaning in human life, and their role religious communities in modern society - cults, sects, denominations and the church. They will learn about the influence of fundamentalism and globalization on religion, as well as the relationship between conflicts in the modern world and their connection with religion.			
Learning outcomes	Expected learning outcomes for the course: After successfully completing the course, the student will be able to: 1. recognize the most important terms and topics in the field of contemporary theories of the sociology of religion; 2. interpret the most important terms and topics in the field of secularization and desecularization; 3. analyze the main theoretical approaches in the sociology of religion and observe their mutual relations; 4. describe key social and religious processes and changes as well as observe their causes and consequences; 5. spot and explain the differences between cults, sects, denominations and churches; 6. argue the connection between conflict and religion in modern society; Explain religious fundamentalism and the influence of globalization and contemporary social movements on religion.			
Lecturer / Teaching assistant	Vladimir Bakrac, Ph. D. Associate Professor			
Methodology	Lectures with the help of power point presentations, presentation of seminar topics and discussions in seminars groups.			
Plan and program of work				
Preparing week	Preparation and registration of the semester			
I week lectures	Introductory lecture; introducing students to the meaning and content of the course, program and method of work, and with the obligations and conditions for passing exams and evaluating work; agreement and distribution of seminars works.			
I week exercises	Introductory lecture; introducing students to the meaning and content of the course, program and method of work, and with the obligations and conditions for passing exams and evaluating work; agreement and distribution of seminars works.			
II week lectures	Secularization (introduction, meaning of the term, godless past).			
II week exercises	Religion and social structure			
III week lectures	Personal Spirituality, Measuring Secularization			
III week exercises	Religion and family; religion and marriage; religion and women			
IV week lectures	Theories of secularization; Peter L. Berger; Pluralism and piety			
IV week exercises	Religion and politics; Religion and nation			
V week lectures	Brian Wilson; Forms of secularization; Secularization and new religious movements			
V week exercises	Religion and education			
VI week lectures	Richard Fenn; Religion in developing countries			
VI week exercises	Religion and economy			
VII week lectures	Religion and rational choice; Stark and Bainbridge; Recent developments; Desecularization			
VII week exercises	Mid-term test I			
VIII week lectures	Sects, cults and religious movements; Ernst Trelch; Types of religious organizations.			
VIII week exercises	Mid-term test II			
IX week lectures	Religious pluralism and schismatic movements; Wilsons typology; The dynamics of the emergence and development of sects			
IX week exercises	Religion and rationalist philosophy; Religion and science			

X week lectures	A state of relative deprivation; Hypotheses about the integrative effect of sects.					
X week exercises	Religion and art					
XI week lectures	Conversion, brainwashing controversy;					
XI week exercises	Religions and morality; Religion and ecology					
XII week lectures	The conversion process					
XII week exercises	Schism within Christianity					
XIII week lectures	Religion and conflicts - globalization, identity, violence, Religion and globalization					
XIII week exercises	Religion and violence					
XIV week lectures	Religious fundamentalism - consistency, definition of terms, Wahhabism					
XIV week exercises	Mid-term test I					
XV week lectures	Interreligious dialogue-experiences and perspectives					
XV week exercises	Mid-term test II					
Student workload	Classes and final exam: 8 hours and 0 minutes x 16 = 128 hours and 0 minutes Necessary preparation before the beginning of the semester (administration, registration, certification): 8 hours and 0 minutes x 2 = 16 hours and 0 minutes Total workload for the subject: 6 x 30=180 hours Supplementary work for exam preparation in the remedial exam period, including taking a make-up exam from 0 to 30 hours (remaining time from the first two items to the total load for the subject) 36 hours and 0 minutes Load structure: 128 hours and 0 minutes (teaching), 16 hours and 0 minutes (preparation), 36 hours and 0 minutes (additional work)					
Per week			Per semester			
6 credits x 40/30=8 hours and 0 minuts 2 sat(a) theoretical classes 0 sat(a) practical classes 2 excercises 4 hour(s) i 0 minuts of independent work, including consultations			Classes and final exam: 8 hour(s) i 0 minuts x 16 =128 hour(s) i 0 minuts Necessary preparation before the beginning of the semester (administration, registration, certification): 8 hour(s) i 0 minuts x 2 =16 hour(s) i 0 minuts Total workload for the subject: 6 x 30=180 hour(s) Additional work for exam preparation in the preparing exam period, including taking the remedial exam from 0 to 30 hours (remaining time from the first two items to the total load for the item) 36 hour(s) i 0 minuts Workload structure: 128 hour(s) i 0 minuts (cources), 16 hour(s) i 0 minuts (preparation), 36 hour(s) i 0 minuts (additional work)			
Student obligations			Regular attendance of lectures and exercises, active participation in discussions and conversations, taking colloquiums and preparing seminar papers.			
Consultations			After the lecture			
Literature			Malcom Hamilton, Sociology of Religion (Theoretical and Comparative Approach), Clio, Belgrade, 2003; Đuro Šušnjić, Religion II, Čigoja press, Belgrade, 1998; Milan Vukomanović, Homo viator: religion and the new age, Čigoja press, Belgrade, 2008. Milan Vukomanović, Religion, Institute for textbooks and teaching aids, Belgrade, 2004. Vladimir Bakrač, Religion and young people - religiosity of young people in Montenegro, Narodna knjiga & MIBBA book, Podgorica-Belgrade, 2013; Ivan Cvitković, Sociology of Religion, DES, Sarajevo, 2004.			
Examination methods			Colloquium I (test) - 20 points; Colloquium II (test) - 20 points; Attendance - 5 points (lectures) + seminar paper (concepts) - 5 points Final exam - 50 points; Passing grade of at least 51 points.			
Special remarks			No			
Comment			No			
Grade:	F	E	D	C	B	A
Number of points	less than 50 points	greater than or equal to 50 points and less than 60 points	greater than or equal to 60 points and less than 70 points	greater than or equal to 70 points and less than 80 points	greater than or equal to 80 points and less than 90 points	greater than or equal to 90 points