

SYLLABUS

Name: Social Sciences 2 (AESAu-A>SI4SS224)

Name in Polish:

Name in English: Social Sciences 2

Information on course:

Course offered by department: Faculty of Automatic Control, Electronics and Computer Science

Course for department: Silesian University of Technology

Default type of course examination report:

ZAL

Language:

English

Short description:

The aim of the course is to introduce students to the basic research methods of sociology and several other social sciences and to show from the perspective of these sciences such issues as social structure and contemporary changes concerning selected spheres of social life.

Description:

ECTS: 3

Total work load: 75 hours (40 contact hours, 35 students' own work hours)

Forms of contact hours:

Lecture: 15 hours

Project: 15 hours

Other (e.g. presentation revision and discussion – 10 hours

Students' own work (preparation for classes, preparation of presentations)

Lecture:

1. The origins of sociology and its methods.
2. Sociology in the background of other social sciences.
3. Social groups and formal organizations.
4. From urbanization to megacities and smart city.
5. Social stratification and social diversity.
6. Aging, old age and aging policy.
7. Creating community.
8. Collective behaviour, social movements and revolutions.

Project:

Students divide themselves into groups and in these teams they prepare presentations on social issues they chose.

Bibliography:

OpenStax College, Introduction to Sociology 2e. OpenStax College. 24 April 2015. .

Browne K., 2005, An Introduction to Sociology, 3-rd ed. Cambridge, Malden: Polity Press.

Conerly T.R., Holmes K., Tamang A.L., 2021, Introduction to sociology. Rise University. <https://openstax.org/details/books/introduction-sociology-3e>

Learning outcomes:

Student knows and understands basic social problems of contemporary civilization (presentation, discussion) - K1A_W5

Student is able to work individually and in team, plan and organize this work as well as interact with other in this team (presentation) - K1A_U5

Student is ready to critically evaluate his/her knowledge and information content of available sources, to recognize the importance of knowledge in solving cognitive problems connected with social sciences (presentation, discussion) - K1A_K1

Student is aware of the impact of industry and technology on the social environment (presentation, discussion) - K1A_K2

Assessment methods and assessment criteria:

Students have to complete their presentations in groups and on that basis they obtain final grade.

The syllabus is valid from academic year 2024/2025 and its content cannot be changed during the semester

Course credits in various terms:

<without a specific program>			
Type of credits	Number	First term	Last term
European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)	3	2024/2025-Z	