

Content

| Course Code | Course Name | Semester | Theory | Practice | Lab | Credit | ECTS |
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| COM235 | Research Methods in Social Sciences | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 |

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| Prerequisites | |
| Admission Requirements | |

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| Language of Instruction | French |
| Course Type | Compulsory |
| Course Level | Bachelor Degree |
| Objective | This course is an introduction to social science research; its aim is to provide students with the methodological skills necessary to design a scientific investigation and to collect and analyze appropriate data. |
| Content | Major methodological debates of social sciences Research design in social sciences Data collection and analysis |
| References | Raymond Quivy, Luc van Campenhoudt, Manuel de recherche en Sciences sociales, Dunod, 2006. Howard Becker, Tricks of the Trade How to think about your Research while you're doing it, University of Chicago Press, 1998. Ted Benton, Ian Craib, Philosophy of Social Science, Palgrave Macmillan, 2011. Karl Marx, Kapital, Yordam, 2011, s. 17-30. Karl Marx, 1857 Girişi Max Weber, Collected Methodological Writings, Routledge, 2013 Pierre Bourdieu, L'opinion publique n'existe pas |

Theory Topics

| Week | Weekly Contents |
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| 1 | Basic concepts and debates |
| 2 | Nature, human, law and regularities |
| 3 | What do social sciences do? Comprehensive and explanatory approaches |
| 4 | Reason and sense as sources of knowledge / What is theory and how does it relate to method? |
| 5 | Fact-value tension |
| 6 | Universal, singular and reality |
| 7 | Midterm exam |
| 8 | Testability and objectivity |
| 9 | Correlation and causality |
| 10 | Abstraction |
| 11 | İdeal-type and social fact |

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| 12 | Structure and agent |
| 13 | Ethical issues |
| 14 | Final exam |