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

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

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
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	Ideal-type and social fact
12	Structure and agent
13	Ethical issues
14	Final exam