Content

Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
SOC 501	Marx, Weber, Durkheim: The Formation of Modern Social Thought	1	3	0	0	3	7.5

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	French
Course Type	Compulsory
Course Level	Masters Degree
Objective	Elaborate theoretical and methodological roots of sociological thinking through principal works of Marx, Weber et Durkheim.
Content	The theme of the course is changed every year through the subjects preferred by students according to their areas of work.
References	Louis Althusser, Ecrits philosophiques et politiques, Paris, Librairie generale française, 1999. Raymond Aron, Les étapes de la pensée sociologique, Paris, Gallimard, 1967. Philippe Besnard, L'anomie: ses usages et ses fonctions dans la discipline sociologique depuis Durkheim, Paris, Presses Universitaires de France, 1987. Emile Durkheim, Le Suicide: étude de sociologie, Paris, Presses Universitaires de France, 1995. Emile Durkheim, Leçons de sociologie, Paris, Presses Universitaires de France, 1995. Erich Fromm, Marx's concept of man, New York, F. Ungar Pub. Co. , 1966. Julien Freund, Max Weber et la sociologie française, Paris, Harmattan, 1997. Anthony Giddens, Capitalism and modern social theory: an analysis of the writings of Marx, Durkheim and Max Weber, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1971. Karl Marx, Contribution à la critique de l'économie politique (1818-1883), Paris, Ed. sociales, 1972. François Perroux, Aliénation et société industrielle, Paris, Gallimard, 1970. Max Weber, Economie et societe: l'organisation et les puissances de la societe dans leur rapport avec l'économie, Paris, Pocket, 1995. Max Weber, L'éthique protestante et l'esprit du capitalisme, Paris, Flammarion, 2002.

Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents
1	General introduction and presentation of seminar
2	Introduction to the birth of sociological perspective and the evolution of industrial societies
3	Following the second week, comparative look
4	Presentation: The relationship between the individual and society on the basis of the ideas of Marx, Durkheim and Weber
5	Presentation : The main thoughts about social stratification
6	Presentation : The idea of “alienation” in contemporary societies
7	Presentation: Understanding the methodology of Marx through the journal excerpts from the book "Capital".
8	Presentation: Sociological interpretations of the works of Marx.
9	Presentation : Understanding the emergence of sociological methodology starting from the review of the book "Suicide" Durkheim

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10	Presentation: The redefinition of anomie against social conditions of our time.
11	Presentation: Understanding the socio-economic relations of contemporary society through the book "Protestant Ethic of Capitalism" Weber.
12	Presentation : Understanding the concept of "legitimacy" of Weber until today
13	Presentation: A comparative study about methodologies of three authors in their historical context.
14	General evaluation