



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Sociology

2324-1-E3901N042

Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding

Acquisition of the basic instruments to analyze social phenomena through the study of classical and contemporary sociological thought.

Students are expected to familiarize with the fundamentals of social theory; to apply such theoretical knowledge upon empirical social reality; to gain self-reflexivity and the capability of autonomous critical thinking.

Contents

The course consists of two parts:

1. Classical sociological thought;
2. Current sociological trends;

Detailed program

- concept of modernity and tendencies towards abstraction;
- Sociological investigation and models of society;
- social and cultural functions of sociology;
- the logic of sociological reasoning;
- processes and structure of social action;

- socialization and identity
- globalization and world society.
- Reality as a social construction.
- social stratification and social mobility;
- sex and gender, “race” and ethnicity; culture, cultural differences;
- postmodernity, hypermodernity, supermodernity, global society, liquid society, risk society.

Prerequisites

Basic educational skills in logic, social culture and reasonable ability in learning, writing and communication.

Teaching methods

Mostly lectures in person and few remote-teaching sessions.

Assessment methods

Combination of multiple-choice and open-ended questions.
Oral exam, optional and not substitutive.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Jedlowski, P., “Il mondo in questione”, Carocci, Roma;
Supplementary readings (journal articles on PDF)

Sustainable Development Goals

REDUCED INEQUALITIES | CLIMATE ACTION | PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS
