# uc3m Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

# Sociology

Academic Year: (2022 / 2023) Review date: 11-05-2022

Department assigned to the subject: Social Analysis Department

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Type: Electives ECTS Credits: 3.0

Year: Semester:

## REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

Specific subjects are not required.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The skills to be developed will be the following:

- A) Starting in the habit of analytical and critical reflection of sociological work, to get used to contextualize what is read, heared and seen from a scientific perspective.
- B) Identifying the sociological perspective of social reality analysis, know the main concepts and sociological processes as basic tools of the discipline and for understanding the juridical sphere.
- C) Explaining the function of different social institutions according to the most relevant sociological theories.
- D) Being trained in information management and use of interdisciplinary approach for analyzing nowadays societies
- E) Learning to synthesize the readings and to communicate it properly in written and oral form.

## **DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME**

1) Brief introduction:

Object and method of sociology

2) Culture:

Features and components

The functions of culture

3) Socialization and the life cycle:

Concept and processes of socialization.

The agents of socialization

4) Control, crime and deviation:

Social control: conformity and deviation.

5) Family and gender.

Historical evolution of the family: new typologies.

The social construction of gender

6) Stratification and social class:

Layering systems

Social mobility

7) Society, change and globalization:

Social change: main factors.

The global society.

# LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

In coherence with the mentioned objectives and competences, the teaching-learning methodology is participatory, continuous and open. Some of the training activities will be:

Practical exercises: Acquisition of competences of the Degree in the field of Sociology.

Practices during the Course: Acquisition of competences in the field of Sociology.

Discussion and presentation of the basic contents: Conference, followed by discussion. Acquisition of basic scientific and technical knowledge in this field.

## **ASSESSMENT SYSTEM**

The criteria of assesment is based in:

- Evaluation of the knowledge by means of examinations and exercises.
- Evaluation of the professional competences by means of exercises and practical tests: discussion of cases, simulations, etc.

To pass the subject a pass qualification is needed as minimal note in the final examination.

% end-of-term-examination: 50

% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 50

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