

Course descriptions

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-010/20				Course title: Application for PhD grant			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 5							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 45							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
95,56	2,22	2,22	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-110/20				Course title: Course Lecturing			
Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture / seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 / 2 per level/semester: 28 / 28 Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 6							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 10							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
100,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

STATE EXAM DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences	
Course ID: FSEV.ÚVP/3-UVP-SS1/15	Course title: Dissertation Exam: Theory of Public Policy
Number of credits: 20	
Educational level: III.	
State exam syllabus:	
Last change:	
Approved by:	

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-070/20				Course title: International Conferences			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 5							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 138							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
96,38	2,9	0,72	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-020/20				Course title: Member of project team			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 5							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 105							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
98,1	0,0	0,0	1,9	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV.ÚVP/3-UVP-040/Z/14				Course title: Modern theories of corporate governance			
Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture / seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 / 1 per level/semester: 28 / 14 Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 10							
Recommended semester: 1.							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 31							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
77,42	0,0	22,58	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers: prof. Ing. Emília Beblavá, PhD.							
Last change: 29.04.2021							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-080/20				Course title: National and Regional Conference			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 2							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 31							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
100,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences	
Course ID: FSEV.ÚEŠMV/3-UES-020/19	Course title: Organizations and institutions in international relations
Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture + seminar Number of hours: per week: 4 per level/semester: 56 Form of the course: on-site learning	
Number of credits: 10	
Recommended semester: 2.	
Educational level: III.	
Prerequisites:	
Course requirements: Conditions for passing the course: # active participation (20%) # development of a research project (50%) # defending the research project (30%) Rating: A: 91-100 points; B: 81-90 points; C: 73-80 points; D: 66-72 points; E: 60-65 points; Fx: 0-59 points	
Learning outcomes: Learning outcomes: Students will gain knowledge of the theoretical and applied perspectives on the existence, dynamics and relationships of functioning in an institutional system in an international environment. Particular focus is given on understanding international norms, rules and values, decision-making processes, international relations, the behaviour of international organisations and other actors, in the context of organisational theories, international relations theories, European integration and human rights theories.	
Class syllabus: Course contents: 1. State and international organisations 2. Rationality and its limits; Organizational theories 3. New institutionalism in political science and international relations 4. Sovereignty and Globalization 5. Power and interdependence 6. Regimes and institutions 7. Efficiency and ideas 8. International and human security 9. Environment and Governance 10. Intergovernmentalism and integration 11. National and international institutional dynamics 12. International liability	

Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 31							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
93,55	0,0	6,45	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers: doc. PhDr. JUDr. Lucia Mokrá, PhD.							
Last change: 16.03.2022							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-050/20				Course title: Other publications			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 3							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 80							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
96,25	1,25	0,0	2,5	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-060/20				Course title: PhD Conference FSES			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 0							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 55							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
92,73	3,64	3,64	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV.ÚVP/3-ÚVP-920/21				Course title: PhD Výskumný seminár			
Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture / seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 / 1 per level/semester: 28 / 14 Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 10							
Recommended semester: 2.							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 3							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
33,33	0,0	66,67	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers: doc. Mgr. Katarína Staroňová, PhD.							
Last change: 29.04.2022							
Approved by:							

STATE EXAM DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences	
Course ID: FSEV.ÚVP/3-UVP-SS2/15	Course title: PhD thesis and its defense
Number of credits: 30	
Educational level: III.	
State exam syllabus:	
Last change:	
Approved by:	

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-040/20				Course title: Publication in categories AAA, ADC, ADD, ADN, ADM			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 30							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 35							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
94,29	5,71	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-030/20			Course title: Publication in categories ABA, AAB, ABB, ABC				
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 15							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 3							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
100,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences	
Course ID: FSEV.ÚEŠMV/3-UES-350/21	Course title: Qualitative Research Methods
Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture / seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 / 2 per level/semester: 28 / 28 Form of the course: on-site learning	
Number of credits: 10	
Recommended semester: 1.	
Educational level: III.	
Prerequisites:	
Course requirements: ASSESSMENT CRITERIA: Please note that the student must pass EACH assignment in order to pass the course. If the student fails one assignment the student will have 3 weeks to rewrite it. Week 2 (Steven Saxonberg) Operationalizing assignment Students will define the key terms they will use in their dissertation and define them clearly so that somebody who does not know the topic can understand it. They will also explain at least one of the theories that they will use. They will also explain this theory in a manner that somebody, who has never heard of this theory can understand it. They will further explain how they will apply the theory. This assignment should be around 3 pages and will be due in week 10, so that students will have had time to study at least one theory in great detail. Week 3 (Steven Saxonberg) Assignment for theories of science Compare Popper's critical rationalist approach with Isaac's scientific realist approach. What are the advantages and disadvantages of each approach? Which approach do you prefer? Which approach do you think is most applicable to your dissertation and why is it the most applicable? Write about 1,000 words or 2 single-spaced pages. Include page numbers from the two texts in your notes. That is in each paragraph when you discuss one of their ideas, make it clear which pages in their texts take up these issues. Assignment for comparative studies Take the main research question from your doctoral dissertation and discuss how you could apply your research question in a two-country comparison. Discuss both how you could analyze your research question using the method of difference and the method of agreement. For each method repeat the table in the Skocpol & Somer's article and explain why you think your countries are comparable. This means you will have either 3 countries totally or 4. For example, you might choose to use Slovakia for both the method of agreement and the method of difference, but you would use a different country to compare Slovakia for each method. In that case you will have 3 countries. Or you might decide to have two completely different sets of countries. That is fine. The important thing is that you show you know how to use the two methods. The paper once again should be about	

1,000 words. You should include references both to the article (with page numbers) and to sources that you use for data on the countries that you compare.

Each paper will be pass-fail.

Weeks 4, 5 (Andrej Findor)

Assignment: Cognitive interviews (pass-fail)

Students are expected to conduct 5 cognitive interviews about research materials related to their PhD. projects and report their findings. The written report, including interview script, sample (respondents') characteristics, the original version of research materials, respondents' comments, and revised version of research materials, is due in the semester's examination period.

Weeks 6-13 (Tomáš Profant)

Assignments (pass-fail)

Test from QCA

Test from CDA

Presentation from QCA

Presentation from QCA

Presentations

The evaluation of your presentations will be loosely based on this form:

http://www.ece.mtu.edu/labs/presentation_grade_sheet.htm

In case you fail, you can redo the presentation during the examination period.

Test

The tests from QCA and CDA will consist of three questions. You can retake the tests during the exam period. There will be only one possibility to retake the tests.

Learning outcomes:

The aim of this course is to enable the students to understand the basic elements of the philosophy of science, of writing a PhD. thesis and of the comparative method. The course focuses in greater detail on three particular methods. First, Andrej Findor will explain how to conduct interviews. Second, Tomáš Profant will explain how to do critical discourse analysis and third, he will explain how to do qualitative content analysis.

Class syllabus:

Week 1

Introduction to the course (Tomáš Profant, Andrej Findor, Steven Saxonberg)

Week 2

How to write a good dissertation (Steven Saxonberg)

Week 3

Philosophy of science and comparative methodology (Steven Saxonberg)

Week 4

Interviews and focus groups (Andrej Findor)

Week 5

Cognitive interviews (Andrej Findor)

Week 6

Qualitative Content Analysis (Introduction) (Tomáš Profant)

Week 7

Qualitative Content Analysis (Test and Presentation of the practice) (Tomáš Profant)

Week 8

Critical Discourse Analysis (Introduction) (Tomáš Profant)

Week 9

Critical Discourse Analysis (Test and Presentation of the practice) (Tomáš Profant)

Week 10

Students' presentations (QCA, CDA) (Tomáš Profant)
 Operationalizing assignment due (Steven Saxonberg)
 Week 11
 Students' presentations (QCA, CDA) (Tomáš Profant)
 Week 12
 Discussion of students' papers – operationalizing assignment (Tomas Profant)
 Assignment:
 One discussant per paper. Students read each other's papers and comment on them during the class.
 Week 13
 Discussion of students' papers – operationalizing assignment (Tomas Profant)

Recommended literature:

Charmaz, Kathy. 2014. Constructing Grounded Theory: A Practical Guide Through Qualitative Analysis London: Sage. (Optional reading)
 Isaac, Jeffrey C. 1987. Power and Marxist Theory: A Realist View, Ithaca & London: Cornell University Press. chapter 2.
 Popper, Karl. 1992. The Logic of Scientific Discovery, chapters 1-4. London: Routledge, 2nd ed.
 Skocpol, Theda & Somers, Margaret. 1980. "The Uses of Comparative History in Macrosocial Theory," Comparative Studies in Society and History, No. 22, 1980, pp.174-97.
 Bryman, Alan (2000): Social Research Methods (4th edition), Chapter 9 "Structured Interviewing", pp. 208-230.
 Krueger, Richard A. – Casey, Mary Anne (2015): Focus Group Research Methods – Notes.
<https://richardmaryanne.files.wordpress.com/2015/10/notes-focus-group-interviewing-research-methods.doc>
 Krueger, Richard A. (2015): Moderating focus groups
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xjHZsEcSqwo&t=618s>
 Willis, Gordon B. (1999): Cognitive Interviewing: A "How to" Guide
<https://www.hkr.se/contentassets/9ed7b1b3997e4bf4baa8d4eceed5cd87/gordonwillis.pdf>
 Schreier, Margit 2012: Qualitative Content Analysis in Practice, Sage Publications, Chapter 1 (pages 1-9), Chap. 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10.
 Machin, David – Mayr, Andrea (2012): How to Do Critical Discourse Analysis. A Multimodal Introduction. London, Thousands Oaks, New Delhi, Singapore: SAGE
 pp. 30-38, 39-42, 57-69, 104-131
 Leeuwen, Theo van (2008): Discourse and Practice. New Tools for Critical Discourse Analysis. Oxford: Oxford University Press. pp. 23-74
 Profant, Tomáš (2015): The Pontis Foundation: Partly Disrupting the Development Discourse Through Partnership. Forum for Development Studies, Vol. 42, No. 2, s. 265–287.

Languages necessary to complete the course:

English

Notes:

Past grade distribution

Total number of evaluated students: 14

A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
64,29	0,0	0,0	35,71	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0

Lecturers: doc. Mgr. Tomáš Imrich Profant, PhD., doc. PhDr. Andrej Findor, PhD., prof. Steven Saxonberg, PhD.

Last change: 27.05.2021

Approved by:

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-130/20				Course title: Reviewing BA/MA Thesis			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 2							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 191							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
94,76	5,24	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-120/20				Course title: Supervising BA/MA Thesis			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 3							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 117							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
97,44	2,56	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-100/20				Course title: Teaching assistance			
Educational activities: Type of activities: seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 per level/semester: 28 Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 3							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 171							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
94,15	4,09	1,75	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2021/2022							
University: Comenius University Bratislava							
Faculty: Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences							
Course ID: FSEV/3-PhD-090/20				Course title: Vedecké podujatia Fakulty a ústavu			
Educational activities: Type of activities: Number of hours: per week: per level/semester: Form of the course: on-site learning							
Number of credits: 0							
Recommended semester:							
Educational level: III.							
Prerequisites:							
Course requirements:							
Learning outcomes:							
Class syllabus:							
Recommended literature:							
Languages necessary to complete the course:							
Notes:							
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 30							
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX	NEABS
90,0	6,67	3,33	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers:							
Last change:							
Approved by:							