Course description

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| **1. GENERAL INFORMATION** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.1. Course teacher | Professor Joost van Loon, PhD | | | | | | 1.6. Year of the study | | | | | 1–2 | | | |
| 1.2. Name of the course | **Risk Society** | | | | | | 1.7. ECTS credits | | | | | 3 | | | |
| 1.3. Associate teachers | Ivan Perkov, PhD | | | | | | 1.8. Type of instruction (number of hours L + E + S + e-learning) | | | | | 15 + 0 + 15 | | | |
| 1.4. Study programme (undergraduate, graduate, integrated) | Graduate | | | | | | 1.9. Expected enrolment in the course | | | | | 20 | | | |
| 1.5. Status of the course | mandatory | | elective | | | | 1.10. Level of application of e-learning (level 1, 2, 3), percentage of online instruction (max. 20%) | | | | | 3 | | | |
| **2.COUSE DESCRIPTION** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.1. Course objectives | To acquaint students with the history and development of the concept of risk society and the sociological subdiscipline of sociology of risk. After completing the course, students will be able to observe and critically analyse and interpret the risks of modern societies. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.2. Enrolment requirements and/or entry competences required for the course | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.3. Learning outcomes at the level of the programme to which the course contributes | Critically evaluate social processes, relationships, values, phenomena, theories, paradigms and methodological approaches within the basic and applied topics of sociology  Analyse and interpret social phenomena  Interpret professional and scientific contents orally and in writing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.4. Expected learning outcomes at the level of the course (3 to 10 learning outcomes) | Define the basic terminology of sociology of risk  Explain the local and the global context of the contemporary risks  Describe the types of risk in the contemporary world  Use the theoretical presumptions of sociology of risk in the analysis of the contemporary global phenomena  Criticize the risk management policy in the contemporary context Compare the approaches to the risk in regard to the cultural differences  Propose a strategy of risk management of specific risk phenomena  Evaluate the specific risk management policies. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.5. Course content (syllabus) | 1. Introduction: What is Risk? Covid-19 Pandemic and Risk Society.  2. Waste related risks: Case Study in Croatia  3. Addiction risks – addiction to risks? (example of alcohol consumption)  4. From Fate to Probability: The Birth of Risk  5. The Present/Presence of Uncertainty in the post- metaphysical Era  6. No Future: The Cool Apocalypse and the Culture of Fear  7. Reflexive Modernization Theory  8. Functionalism and Cultural Theory  9. Governmentality Theory  10. Mediatization and its Consequences  11. The Affective Turn: Optical Mediation and Prehending Risks  12. The Logistics of Perception  13. Risk Flows and Actor-Network Theory  14. The Neuropolitics of Risk  15. Essay deadline, final discussion / Course Evaluation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.6. Format of instruction: | lectures  seminars and workshops  exercises  online in entirety  partial e-learning  field work | | | | | independent assignments  multimedia and the internet  laboratory  work with mentor  (other) | | | | | 2.7. Comments: | | | | |
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| 2.8. Student responsibilities | Class attendance; active participation in discussions. Making a scientific essay on a topic related to the content of the course and its oral defence. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.9. Monitoring student work | Class attendance | YES | |  | Research | | |  | NO | Oral exam | | | | YES |  |
| Experimental work |  | | NO | Report | | |  | NO | (other) | | | |  |  |
| Essay | YES | |  | Seminar paper | | |  | NO | (other) | | | |  |  |
| Preliminary exam |  | | NO | Practical work | | |  | NO | (other) | | | |  |  |
| Project |  | | NO | Written exam | | |  | NO | ECTS credits (total) | | | | 3 | |
| 2.10. Required literature (available in the library and/or via other media) | **Title** | | | | | | | | | | | **Number of copies in the library** | **Availability via other media** | | |
| Beck, U. (1992) *Risk Society: Towards a New Modernity.* London and New York, Sage. | | | | | | | | | | |  |  | | |
| Beck, U, (1994) „The Reinvention of Politics: Towards a Theory of Reflexive Modernization“ in Beck, U., Giddens, A. and Lash S. *Reflexive Modernization: Politics, Tradition and Aesthetics in the Modern Social Order.* Polity: 1-55 | | | | | | | | | | |  |  | | |
| Furedi, F. (2002) Culture of Fear: Risk-Taking and the Morality of Low Expectation. London: Routledge. Chapter 1, 2 | | | | | | | | | | |  |  | | |
| Van Loon, J. (2002) *Risk and Technological Culture. Towards a Sociology of Virulence*. London: Routledge. | | | | | | | | | | |  |  | | |
| 2.11. Optional literature | - Adams, J. (1995) Risk. London: UCL Press, Chapters 1, 2 and 5.  - Amoore, L. (2008) “Governing by Identity” in Bennet, C.J. and Lyon, D. (eds.) Playing the Identity Card. London: Routledge: 21-36  - Agamben, G. (1998) Homo Sacer: Sovereign Power and Bare Life. Stanford University Press S.1-29 and S.166-180  - Barbour, C. (2010) Sovereign Times: Acts of Creation. Law Culture and the Humanities 6 (2): 143-152  - Bernstein, P. (1996) Against the Gods: The Remarkable Story of Risk. New York: John Wiley. Introduction and Chapter 6.  - Brezovec, E. (2021). 'Dimenzije društvene uključenosti i isključenosti konzumacije alkohola u Krapinsko-zagorskoj županiji', Disertacija, Sveučilište u Zagrebu, Filozofski fakultet.  - Connolly, W. (2002) Neuropolitics: Theory out of Bounds. University of Minnesota Press: 80-112  - Čaldarović, O (2012) Prema društvu uspješno reguliranog rizika? (Towards the society of successful regulation of risks?) Zagreb: Hrvatsko sociološko društvo; Zavod za sociologiju Filozofskog fakulteta u Zagrebu  - Doel, M. and Clarke, D. (1997) “Transpolitical Urbanism: Suburban Anomaly and Ambient Fear”. Space and Culture (2): 13-36.  - Ericson, R.V. and Haggerty, K.D. (1997) Policing the Risk Society. UTP: 133-155  - Habermas, J. (1994) Postmetaphysical Thinking: Between Metaphysics and the Critique of Reason. Polity Press, Chapter 1.  - Kruger, M., Magnet, S. and van Loon, J, “Biometric Revisions of the Body in Airports and US Welfare Reform. Body and Society 14 (2): 99 - 121  - Luhmann, N. (2005) Risk: A Sociological Theory. De Gruyter Chapters 3 and 6  - Lupton, D. (1999) Risk: London: Routledge, Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 5  - McLuhan, M. (1964) Understanding Media. Penguin: 23-35  - McNally, R. (1996) ‘Political Problems – Genetically Engineered Solutions: The Socio-Technical Translation of Fox Rabies’ in van Dommelen, A. (ed) Coping with Deliberate Release: The Limits of Risk Assessment. Tilburg: International Centre for Human and Public Affairs, p.103-19.  - Merrin, W. (2005) Baudrillard and the Media. Polity Press: 81-97  - Perkov, I. (2021) 'Društveni aspekti sustava zbrinjavanja otpada u Zagrebu', Disertacija, Sveučilište u Zagrebu, Filozofski fakultet  - Rayner, S. (1994) “Cultural Theory and Risk Analysis” in Krimsky, S. and Golding, D. (Eds.) Social Theories of Risk. Praeger: 83-116  - Renn, O. (1994) “Concepts of Risk: A Classification” in Krimsky, S. and Golding, D. (Eds.) Social Theories of Risk. Praeger: 53-82  - Rose, N. (2010) Political power beyond the state: problematics of government British Journal of Sociology, 2010, 61, s1, 271-30  - Schmitt, C. (1974) Das Nomos von der Erde. Berlin: Duncker und Humboldt  - Thompson, J. (1995) The Media and Modernity. Polity: 119-148  - Virilio, P. (1993) Pure War. New York: Semiotexte: 49-69 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.12. Other (as the proposer wishes to add) |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |