

Environmental sociology (Leo Šešerko, Ph.D., Associate Prof.)

Subject code: ES

Academic year: 1.

Lectures: 25

Tutorials: 20

ECTS: 5

Aims of the course:

The students will be acquainted with the history of environmental sociology, its fundamental concepts and other related sociological and environmental scientific disciplines. Within this context, the focus will be on interpreting the constructive approach to environmental sociology, so the students will master the understanding and interpreting connections among the nature, society and technology. The students will independently perceive and document social facts and actions, and they will use sociological methods of critical analysis of social and environmental facts in projects in the field of environmental sociology. They will make a review of the main streamlines and trends of contemporary environmental sociology, its methods and methodological and substantive emphases. They will be acquainted with different methods and sources of access to the information related to environmental sociology, particularly with Slovenian and international literature and information sources. They will be able to independently interpret and analyse a project concerning the topics related to environmental sociology, and to present them to a professional and general public in terms of their documentation, textualisation, graphical presentation and other forms of presentation. The students will be qualified to communicate in the field of the Slovenian and international environmental sociology and public, and will be acquainted with relevant international institutions in this particular field.

Subject content:

A welfare state and the environment, public, social structure, environment and social segregation, social construction of an ecological problem, institutionalisation /deregulation of an environment, civil society, market and the environment, globalisation, corporations.

Teaching methods:

lectures, field work, seminar work

Study obligations:

Oral / written exam, seminar work and seminar paper

Literature

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4. Saviano, Roberto, 2008, Gomora, Potovanje v krvavi imperij neapeljske Camorre, MK, Ljubljana.

5. Dunlap, Reiley E., Buttel, Frederick H., Dickens, Peter, Gijswijt, August (ed.), 2002, Sociological Theory and the Environment, Rowman & Littlefield, Oxford.
6. Harper, Charles L., 2008, Environment and Society, Human Perspectives on Environment Issues, Pearson, New Jersey,
7. Martell, Luke, 1995, Ecology and Society, Polity Press, Oxford.