

Sociology

Level: Bachelor's Degree (Year 1)

Track: All

Semester: 1

Course Duration: 24 hours of lectures

Teaching language: French

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Course Objectives:

The sociology courses offered as part of the Bachelor's Degree in Economics are designed to provide our students with a general education that complements the economic approach. Indeed, the discipline of economics is the result of a particular line of thought and perspective on human nature. This sociology course aims to familiarize students with the sociological approach—in both its methodological and theoretical aspects—and, building on this approach, to help them acquire empirical and analytical insights into some of the major challenges facing contemporary societies. The authors and questions selected for this course will enrich the analysis of economic issues.

Lesson plan:

Chapter 1: Sociology: A Scientific Approach to the Analysis of Society

- I. Diversity of Subjects, Specificity of the Approach
- II. A Scientific Approach to the Analysis of Society
- III. The Sociologist's Craft: From Empirical Data Collection to Theories

Chapter 2: Major Authors and Schools of Thought in Sociology

- I. Context and Pioneers
- II. The Foundations of Sociology
- III. Major Schools of Thought in Modern Sociology

Chapter 3: Social Stratification and Inequalities

- I. Social Stratification: Issues and Theories
- II. Social Stratification in France
- III. From Social Class to a Sociology of Differences?

Chapter 4: Economic Sociology

- I. Sociology and Economics
- II. The Social Construction of Market Relations
- III. The Sociology of Market Functioning

Chapter 5: Sociology of Consumption

- I. Consumption and Social Groups
- II. The Consumer Society
- III. From a Practice of Choice to Conscious Consumption

Grading system: 2-hour essay

Prerequisites: none

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