Course description Globalisation: changing identities and challenges

Aim of the course

The goal of the course is aimed to show how we can put social psychological theories to look for solutions to the challenges of the 21st century, among other to supra-national identities and global citizenship, to responsibility taking for nature and combatting global warming as well as gender-related questions. The overview on applied social psychological research prepare students to develop research on the most pressing social problems. The students will apply the discussed theories and research paradigms for formulating their own research plan.

Learning outcome, competences

knowledge:

- is aquainted with the most important theoretical approaches of social psychology applied in the discussed research projects
- is familiar with the different research paradigms, especially with the experimental ones

attitude:

- understands the different individual and social experiences resulted by social and global inequalities
- critically analyses social problems

skills:

• is able to develop an experimental research plan for studying social problems

Content of the course

Topics of the course

- 1. Introduction. What is globalisation and why does it matter?
- 2. Migration and International Mobility
- 3. Globalization and International Student Mobility
- 4. European and National Identity
- 5. Global Citizenship and Identity
- 6. Cosmopolitan Perspective of Globalisation
- 7. Gender and Globalisation
- 8. Intergroup Relations. Threat and Resources Associated with Globalisation
- 9. Collective Action. Anti-globalisation Movement and Globalised Action
- 10. Climate Change: denial and responsibility taking
- 11. Developing and Maintaining Ecologically Friendly Norms
- 12. Empathic Civilization

Learning activities, learning methods

- refelction on literature in writing
- small group discussions
- student presentations

- lectures

Evaluation of outcomes

Homeworks (40% of grade). There are about 4-5 short homework assignments. The homework assignments are due at the beginning of the next class.

Presentations (30% of grade) on a given topic in the class (in pairs) **Final Task** (30% of grade): Short essay on a given topic.

Reading list

Compulsory reading list

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