

DOCTORAL STUDIES COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION

Name of subject	Field of science, code	Faculty / Center	Institute / Department
Topics in Comparative Historical Sociology	S 005	Faculty of Philosophy	Institute of Sociology and Social Work
Student's workload	Credits	Student's workload	Credits
Lectures		Consultations	1
Independent study	6	Seminars	

Course annotation
<p>The categories (core concepts) in the comparative social science and history studies and their development in the outline. Logical foundations of comparative historical sociology and its methodological problems: comparison, comparative perspective, and comparative method, extensive and intensive strategies within comparative perspective, case study. The concepts of conjunctural and plural causation. Statistic and deterministic ideas of social causality. The logic of quantitative macrocomparative study and its data sources. The methodological problems in the measurement and comparison of welfare, wellbeing, and social welfare. The outline of the history and comparison of wealth. Contemporary internationally standardised tools of the wealth measurement and their alternatives. The factors of the uneven economic development and concepts in its analysis. Ancient Rome as classical imperial political economy. The rise of the West as the problem in the comparative historical sociology. Political and economical development of China in the comparative long run perspective. The economic development of Lithuania in the 20-21st century international comparative context. The prospects of world political-economic development during coming decades. Assessment requirements are determined individually depending on the topic of the dissertation and academic background (courses taken during the master's and doctoral studies).</p>
Reading list
1. Norkus Z. „Two Hundred Years of the Theory of Historiography in Lithuania, or How Joachim Lelewel Did Become the Pioneer of Modern Comparative History“, <i>Sociologija. Mintis ir veiksmai</i> , 2015, 1 (36), p. 5-31.
2. Norkus Z. <i>Kokia demokratija, koks kapitalizmas? Pokomunistinė transformacija lyginamosios istorinės sociologijos požiūriu</i> . V.: VU leidykla, 2008
3. Babones S. <i>Methods for Quantitative Macro-Comparative Research</i> . Los Angeles: Sage, 2014
4. McNeill, William. <i>The Human Condition. An Ecological and Historical View</i> . Princeton: Princeton UP, 1980
5. Diamond, Jared. <i>Ginklai, mikrobai ir plienas. Visuomenių likimas</i> . V.: Kitos knygos, 2018
6. Fogel R. W. <i>The Escape from Hunger and Premature Death, 1700-2100. Europe, America and the Third World</i> . Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2004
7. Maddison A. <i>Contours of the World Economy, 1-2030 AD. Essays in Macrohistory</i> . Oxford: Oxford UP, 2007.
8. Maddison A. <i>The World Economy</i> . Vol.1-2. Paris: OECD, 2007.
9. De Grauwe Paul. <i>The Limits of the Market. The Pendulum Between Government and Market</i> . Oxford: Oxford UP, 2017
8. Vaskela G. <i>Tautiniai aspektai Lietuvos ūkio politikoje 1919-1940 metais</i> . Vilnius: Lietuvos istorijos instituto leidykla, 2014
9. Norkus Z. <i>Du nepriklausomybės dvidešimtmečiai: Kapitalizmas, klasės ir demokratija Pirmojoje ir Antrojoje Lietuvos Respublikoje lyginamosios istorinės sociologijos požiūriu</i> . V.: Aukso žuvis, 2014.

The names of consulting teachers	Science degree	Main scientific works published in a scientific field in last 5 year period
Zenonas Norkus	Habil. Dr.	Norkus Z. (2018) <i>An Unproclaimed Empire the Grand Duchy of Lithuania: From the Viewpoint of Comparative Historical Sociology of Empires</i> . Abingdon: Routledge 2018

		<p>Norkus Z. „Two Hundred Years of the Theory of Historiography in Lithuania, or How Joachim Lelewel Did Become the Pioneer of Modern Comparative History“, <i>Sociologija. Mintis ir veiksmai</i>, 2015, 1 (36), p. 5-31.</p>
		<p>Norkus Z. (2018) “Varieties and patterns of post-communist transformations: a qualitative comparative retrospective scenario analysis”, in <i>The Routledge International Handbook of European Social Transformations</i> / ed. by Peeter Vihalemm, Anu Masso, and Signe Opermann. London : Routledge, 2018. p. 71-83.</p>
		<p>Norkus Z. (2018) “Long waves and changes in the structure of the capitalist world system” in <i>Global inequalities in world-systems perspective: theoretical debates and methodological innovations</i> / ed. by by Manuela Boatca, Andrea Komlosy, Hans-Heinrich Nolte. London : Routledge, p. 78-93</p>

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