

Study program: Integrated Academic Studies in Medicine

Course title: Medical Sociology

Teacher: Dušan D. Ristić

Course status: elective

ECTS Credits: 2

Condition: -

Course aim

Introducing students to the basic topics, problems and achievements of sociology and medical sociology. The aim is to get students acquainted with the understanding of social relations and contemporary social processes as well as the importance of social problems and challenges of the contemporary medical practice.

Expected outcome of the course

Students acquired knowledge about society and the most important contemporary social processes. Through theoretical, systematic and critical reflection and analysis of the most important issues and subjects of the Medical Sociology, students have knowledge about the connection between contemporary social processes and medical practice and the ability to apply that knowledge in future professional practice.

Course description

Theoretical education

The course covers sociological content that should enable students to think rationally and critically about social interactions, processes, and problems. The course covers the following thematic areas: 1. Sociology and Medical Sociology: subject, origin, development; 2. Sociology of Body; 3. Sociological aspects of health 4. Sociological aspects of disease; 5. Social interaction and communication in Medicine: doctor-patient relationship; 6. Professions and the professionalization in Medicine; 7. Social integualities, health and public health; 8. Medicine and media; 9. Medicine and Risk society.

Practical education

Study research work Lectures, discussions, dialogue, presentation of literature, tutorial giving instructions for independent study of individual content units.

Literature

Compulsory

1. Giddens, Anthony (2003). Sociology. 6th Edition. Cambridge: Polity Press.

Number of active classes	Theoretical classes: 30	Practical classes: 15
Teaching methods		

Student activity assessment (maximally 100 points)				
Pre-exam activities	points	Final exam	points	
Lectures	30	Written	50	
Practices	20	Oral		
Colloquium				
Essay				