

The Graduate School for Social Research invites scholars to submit proposals for courses to be taught in English as part of the School's doctoral programme in the academic year 2015-2016.

Each course should last 30 x 45 minutes and be offered in weekly or fortnightly classes.

The subject matter of the proposed courses should fall within one of the six thematic blocks below.

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1. Contemporary Philosophy

- a) Major philosophical problems in their historical context and contemporary reinterpretation
- b) Main ideas and schools of contemporary philosophy in historical and structural perspective
- (c) The most important debates in contemporary philosophical thought and their impact on social theory
- d) The newest schools of philosophical speculation and their influence on contemporary humanities
- e) Reading and techniques of interpretation of philosophical texts

2. Theories and methodology of the social sciences

- a) Advanced qualitative methods
- b) Advanced quantitative methods
- c) Methods of comparative research
- d) 20th and 21st century social theory
- e) Advanced methods in social sciences (bridging qualitative and quantitative approaches)
- f) Theory and methods of interdisciplinary studies
- g) Contemporary problems of philosophical theory of knowledge
- h) Research methodology and methods of social science enquiry

3. Politics and Civil societies

- a) Civil society and public sphere
- b) Economic and cultural inequalities
- c) Citizenship and cultures in the global era
- d) Current problems in European integration
- e) The collective actors of society and states

- f) Globalization, politics and society

4. Culture and communication, ideologies and identities

- a) Individuals within societies
- b) Social and cultural identities in different contexts
- c) Memories, cultures and identities
- d) Ideologies, moral and religious values in different historical and geographical contexts
- e) Pluralism, multiculturalism and nationalism
- f) Media, communication and culture

5. Social Structures, Institutions and Social Change

- a) State and market in modern and postmodern context
- b) Public policies and social problems
- c) Society in action: interactions, social movements and processes
- d) Social change, developments and modernization
- e) social stratification

6. General courses open to all students

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- a) A practical course on development of research proposals, and on preparation of articles for publication (for both philosophers and sociologists)

Proposals sent to sns@sns.edu.pl by Wednesday April 29th should be submitted in the form of a draft syllabus with reading list, indicating which of the above topics the course is intended to cover. Further details and a standard syllabus template can be obtained from the same address.