UCLouvain

bpols1114
Communication science

5.00 credits 30.0 h + 15.0 h Q1

Teacher(s)	Jacobs Thomas ;Mahieu Elke (compensates Jacobs Thomas) ;			
Language :	English			
Place of the course	Bruxelles Saint-Louis			
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: To familiarize the students with the most important approaches, theories, and concepts in communication science, and to ensure students understand their internal logic, their mutual relations, and their importance to social science at large. To overview the development and the evolution of communication science as a social-scientific discipline and as a perspective on the modern and contemporary society. To sharpen the critical attitude and critical reflexes of students when they interact with discourses, dispositives, and artefacts of contemporary communication. To familiarize students with the metier and the craft of what it is to be a university student.			
Evaluation methods	Students will be evaluated based on a written, in-person, closed-book exam. Questions will relate to the courses, the readings, the seminars, and the PowerPoint presentations. The exam involves both theoretical questions, and			

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- Cultural studies, reception studies, and the interpretative power of audiences - Propaganda and the Frankfurter Schule We will pay specific attention to the manner in which the classic concepts, theories, and approaches of communication science and social science more generally remain relevant tools to understand the digital era. While this course is focused on Communication Science, it simultaneously seeks to equip students with the metalanguage needed to talk about the landscape and the topography of their social-scientific discipline. This way, students will not only be exposed to the knowledge, the insights, and the actual content of Communication Science, they will also learn to understand the field's architecture. In this vein, students will learn to understand and use the following concepts (among others): - Paradigms and paradigm changes - The classification of various types of theories - Scientific concepts - Scientific debates - Critique and criticism La lecture obligatoire sera fournie sous la forme d'une sélection de textes qui sera mis à la disposition des étudiant.e.s Bibliography

Credits	Programme	s contain	ing this learning unit (UE)
Program title	Acronym	Credits	