

At Louvain-la-Neuve - 120 credits - 2 years - Day schedule - In French

SOC2M - Introduction

Introduction

SOC2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

Through the study of different issues such as socialization, identity, culture, power, organization, regulation, class, inequality, cultural and social conflict, globalization, change and social movements, the training in sociology is primarily designed to understand the social players (individuals or groups), their relationships and connections in contemporary society at a time of profound change. The Master in Sociology aims to develop:

- intellectual grasp of the tools and main issues in sociological analysis
- ability to understand social processes and problems for practical purposes related to research, diagnosis, evaluation and social intervention
- ability to maintain a critical distance
- good methodological investigation skills (qualitative or quantitative)
- practical ability to conduct either basic research (research focus) or in a professional field (professional focus) related to social intervention or intercultural relations and development) professional focuses

These skills as a sociologist are required in associations, business, government departments as well as in research departments or in consultancy.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

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Programme structure

In addition to an in-depth study of the various disciplines in sociology, the research project is a key component of the 120 credit Master. It is therefore possible to do a research placement, either in the field of basic research or in a professional field relating to the social requirements of the different players and organizations.

The 120 credit Master in sociology contains core subjects, optional 'area' subjects and four different focuses.

- The **core subjects** (65 credits) contain subjects relating to theoretical cross-disciplinary issues (20 credits), Jacques Leclercq Chair lectures (6 credits) in which renowned lecturers present their research, qualitative or quantitative methodology (10 credits), a seminar in the practical aspects of research (7 credits) and a final piece of work (22 credits)
- **optional subjects**, grouped according to different areas of sociological analysis (e.g. work, city, religion, family, education, globalization), can be selected depending on students' training and research project (25 credits)

In addition, students may choose to acquire specific skills by choosing one of four different focuses (30 credits):

- **research focus** relating to the development of basic research skills and involving a placement in a research centre ;
- the **research and social intervention** professional focus is designed to develop research and social intervention skills in a particular area of society such as social work, towns, education, training and work ; it involves a research and intervention placement in a body outside the academic world ;
- the **so cio-anthropology of interculturality and development** professional focus is designed to develop skills in the creation, execution and assessment of development projects in an intercultural context, both in the Northern and Southern hemispheres ;
- **teaching focus** which develops teaching and training skills in the field of social sciences.

SOC2M Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES [65.0]

Le tronc commun comprend des cours consacrés à des « problématiques théoriques transversales », la chaire Leclercq et enfin des cours de méthodologie, qualitative ou quantitative, complétés par des séminaires de « pratique de la recherche » et d'accompagnement du travail de fin d'étude.

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Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

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o compulsory courses (20 credits)

Course ID	Course Title	Instructor	Language	Period	Hours	Credits	Open to incoming exchange students	Year 1	Year 2
LSOC2040	Contemporary sociological theories	Mathieu Berger	FR	[q2]	[30h]	[5 Credits]	🌐	X	
LSOC2013	Contemporary cultural transformations: a sociological approach	Marie Verhoeven	FR	[q2]	[30h]	[5 Credits]	🌐	X	X
LSOC2045	Sociology of Economic Practices : Capitalism and the anthropocene	Julien Charles Isabelle Ferreras	FR	[q1]	[30h]	[5 Credits]	🌐	X	X
LSOC2002	Digital sociology	Eric Mangez	FR	[q2]	[30h]	[5 Credits]	🌐	X	X

o Méthodes (15 credits)

L'étudiant doit choisir 15 crédits dont au minimum 5 crédits en méthodes quantitatives et 5 crédits en méthodes qualitatives.

o Méthodes qualitatives

From 5 to 10 credit(s)

⊗ LSOC2083	Signs, sounds, images : methods of analysis	Mathieu Berger	FR	[q2]	[22.5h]	[5 Credits]	🌐	X	X
⊗ LSOC2084	Participatory methods	Géraldine André Brigitte Maréchal	FR	[q2]	[22.5h]	[5 Credits]	🚫🌐		

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○ LSOC2000B	Research Practice and Ethics Seminar	Géraldine André	PS [q2] [20h+7.5h] [5 Credits] ⓘ	x	
○ LSOC2089B	Writing workshop I & II	Géraldine André	PS [q2] [10h] [2 Credits] ⓘ	x	
○ LSOC2900	Dissertation / Thesis		PS [q2] [] [15 Credits] ⓘ		x

LIST OF FOCUSES

- > [Teaching Focus](#) [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc200d]
- > [Research Focus](#) [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc200a]

TEACHING FOCUS [30.0]

IMPORTANT NOTE: In accordance with article 138 para. 4 of the decree of 7 November 2013 concerning higher education and the academic organisation of studies, teaching practice placements will not be assessed in the September session. Students are required to make every effort to successfully complete the teaching practice in the June session, subject to having to retake the year.

Cette finalité vise principalement les étudiant(e)s se préparant à l'enseignement dans le secondaire, mais aussi plus largement l'ensemble de ceux qui se destinent à des métiers de formation en Sciences sociales.

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
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o Content:

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○ LAGES2807	Didactique du qualifiant dans les domaines des sciences économiques et des sciences humaines et sociales	Séverine Dupire (compensates Anne Nossent)	PK [q1] [15h] [2 Credits] 		x
○ LAGES2809	Didactique du qualifiant dans le domaine des sciences humaines et sociales	Helina Egleme	PK [q1] [15h] [2 Credits] 		x
○ LAGES2810					

RESEARCH FOCUS [30.0]

Cette finalité amène à approfondir les connaissances théoriques et empiriques dans une perspective de recherche académique. Concrètement, cela demande à l'étudiant de s'insérer dans des équipes de recherche (stage ou équivalent) et de développer des compétences épistémologiques en sociologie d'abord, et dans d'autres disciplines.

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● LSOC2910	Stage de recherche et d'intervention sociale		FR [q1] [] [10 Credits] 🌐		X
● LSOC2211	Seminar on the professional postures and commitments of sociology	Mathieu Berger	FR [q1+q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X

o Cours au choix (15 crédits)

L'étudiant doit prendre 15 crédits parmi les cours suivants:

⊗ LSOC2275	Sociology of social intervention	Abraham Franssen	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LSOC2026	Sociology of organised action	Marc Zune	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LSOC2050	Sociology of Social Inequalities	Nathalie Burnay	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LSOC2075	Diversité culturelle, pluralisme religieux et conflits sociaux contemporains: enjeux sociologiques et modes de régulation	Brigitte Maréchal Marie Verhoeven	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

OPTIONS [25.0]

- > **Corps et santé** [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc110o]
- > **Criminalité** [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc111o]
- > **Economie, travail et capitalisme** [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc103o]
- > **Education, subjectivation et lien social** [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc109o]
- > **Environnement et transitions écologiques** [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc104o]
- > **Genre (option transversale UCLouvain)** [en-prog-2023-soc2m-lsoc107o]
- > **Globalisation et migrations**

CRIMINALITÉ

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⊗ LECRI1505	Criminological approach to marginalization and social exclusion	Chloé Branders	(FR) [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LCRIM2105	Sociological Aspects of the Administration of Criminal Justice	Dan Kaminski	(FR) [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LCRIM2104	Criminal Sociology	Fabienne Brion Vincent Francis (compensates Fabienne Brion)	(FR) [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LCRIM2106	Penology	Fabienne Brion	(FR) [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

ECONOMIE, TRAVAIL ET CAPITALISME

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⊗ LECON2340	Economy and society	Isabelle Ferreras Géraldine Thiry	(FR) [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LECON2421	History of Economic and Social Development	Jean-Christophe Defraigne	(FR) [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LEUSL2031	European political economy	Clément Fontan	(EN) [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LTRAV2200	Sociology of work	Matthieu de Nanteuil Isabelle Ferreras	(FR) [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LECON2351	Non profit Economics	Coralie Helleputte (compensates Marthe Nyssens) Marthe Nyssens	(FR) [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LTRAV2000	Introduction to Sciences of Work	Marie Antoine	(FR) [q1] [15h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⊗ LESPO2000	Issues and challenges of managing workplace diversity	Scott Brenton Bénédicte Fontaine	(FR) [q2] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

EDUCATION, SUBJECTIVATION ET LIEN SOCIAL

● Mandatory
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GENRE (OPTION TRANSVERSALE UCLOUVAIN)

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PARTICIPATION, MOBILISATIONS ET CITOYENNETÉ

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RELIGION, ISLAM ET INTERCULTURALITÉ

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Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

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Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning outcomes are to be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registration in another CU.

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#)

SOC2M - Information

Access Requirements

Master course admission requirements are defined by the French Community of Belgium Decree of 7 November 2013 defining the higher education landscape and the academic organisation of courses.

General and specific admission requirements for this programme must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university.

Unless explicitly mentioned, the bachelor's, master's and licentiate degrees listed in this table or on this page are to be understood as those issued by an institution of the French, Flemish or German-speaking Community, or by the Royal Military Academy.

In the event of the divergence between the different linguistic versions of the present conditions, the French version shall prevail.

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Specific access requirements

To have gained a first university degree including the following credits :

- 21 credits in sociology/anthropology or both subjects together (with at least 15 credits in sociology)
- 24 credits in methodology (with at least 8 in quantitative methodology and 8 in qualitative methods)
- 9 credits in language (must be English unless there is special permission for another language)

The 30 credits for the subsidiary subject(s) of sociology/anthropology may therefore be used to satisfy these requirements.

If the total of prerequisite subjects is more than 15 credits, entry to the Master programme is conditional on the successful completion of a preparatory year and gaining a maximum of 60 credits.

University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			
Titre inconnu:lsoca1ba		Direct access	
Titre inconnu:lspol1ba Titre inconnu:lhuso1ba	Si ils ont suivi la mineure en sociologie et anthropologie	Direct access	In some cases, the UCLouvain Enrolment Office, after reviewing your online enrolment or re-enrolment application, will ask you to provide an enrolment authorisation from your faculty/school.
		Access based on application	
Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium			
		Access based on application	
Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium			
		Access based on application	
Foreign Bachelors			
		Access based on application	

Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about [links](#) to the university

Diploma	Access	Remarks
BA - assistant(e) social(e) - crédits supplémentaires entre 15 et 30 BA - conseiller(ère) social(e) - crédits supplémentaires entre 15 et 30 BA en coopération internationale - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60 BA en écologie sociale - crédits supplémentaires entre 15 et 30 BA en gestion des ressources humaines - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60 BA en sciences administratives et gestion publique - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60	Les enseignements supplémentaires éventuels peuvent être consultés dans le module complémentaire .	Type court

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"		Access based on application	
Masters		Access based on application	

Access based on validation of professional experience

> It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about [Validation of priori experience](#).

Entry to all Masters (with the exception of Advanced Masters) can be gained through the special procedure for accrediting prior learning and experience known as VAE (validation des acquis de l'expérience).

Entry to this Master is possible via this procedure. See <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/espo/psad/adulte-en-reprise-d-etudes-vae.html>

Access based on application

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Entry to all Masters (with the exception of Advanced Masters) can also be gained on submission of a special personal file.

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Specific professional rules

Successful completion of the master's course with **teaching focus** leads to the award of the master's degree with teaching focus and the title of secondary school education specialist.

The [Réforme des Titres et Fonctions](#) ("Titles and Functions Reform"), in force since 1 September 2016, is intended to harmonise the titles, functions and pay scales of basic and secondary education professionals in French Community of Belgium networks.

It also aims to guarantee the priority of preferred titles over minimum titles and to establish a regime for titles in short supply.

AESS holders can learn which functions they can carry out and the pay scales from which they can benefit by [clicking here](#).

The university cannot be held responsible for any problems that students may encounter at a later date with a view to a teaching appointment in the French Community of Belgium.

Teaching method

The project - a key part of the training

Each student enters the programme with a training project which is discussed between him/her and member of the academic staff. The programme of lessons and seminars is not intended to be a pre-determined route, even though there are some compulsory points. The student's individual project is a key part of the process and he/she has considerable latitude in how the training is actually made up and managed.

The project is centred on carrying out research and there are different ways of helping the student to acquire the necessary skills: both group and individual supervision as well as a research placement. The presentation of a dissertation is just the final stage in a process which begins on the first day of the first year, involving selection of a research topic, choice of a subject area, acquisition and application of methodologies, familiarity with previous research from the literature, formulation of hypotheses, collection and interpretation of data, theorisation of results, writing a report, oral presentation of the results and possibly even publication.

In the Research and Social Intervention focus, the relationship between the research topic, the placement and the dissertation is discussed between the host institution, the student and the academic placement supervisor. The research topic should be relevant not only to the host institution, but also for the student and the focuses available in the programme.

Carrying out research requires additional methodological skills and more detailed knowledge of the area of study. It also requires knowledge of cross-disciplinary issues. With the help of the teaching staff, these different perspectives are brought together.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the regulations concerning studies and exams EvalDoct presenmme of I: doct prteSociology

Contacts

Curriculum Management

Entity

Structure entity	SSH/ESPO/PSAD
Denomination	(PSAD)
Faculty	Faculty of Economic, Social and Political Sciences and Communication (ESPO)
Sector	Human Sciences (SSH)
Acronym	PSAD
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Jury

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