

CIVIC EMPOWERMENT AND MOBILIZATION

COURSE DESCRIPTION (Group C)

Course code	Course group	Volume in ECTS credits	Course valid from	Course valid to	Reg. No.
TPV2005	C	5			

Course type (compulsory or optional)	Compulsory
Course level (study cycle)	Undergraduate
Semester the course is delivered	2
Study form (face-to-face or distant)	Face – to – face

Course title in Lithuanian

PILIEČIŲ ĮGALINIMAS IR MOBILIZACIJA

Course title in English

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Short course annotation in Lithuanian (up to 500 characters)

Kurso metu supažindinama su pagrindinėmis kolektyvinės veiklos teorijomis, piliečių įgalinimo specifika besikonsoliduojančios demokratijos sąlygomis. Aptariamas pilietinis aktyvumas ir piliečių įgalinimas, poautoritariniame kontekste.

Short course annotation in English (up to 500 characters)

This course aims to give students knowledge about the key concepts in theories of collective action, peculiarities of civic empowerment in the context of consolidating democracy. Civic engagement and civic empowerment are discussed in the postauthoritarian context.

Prerequisites for entering the course

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Course aim

Analyze and discuss civic empowerment and mobilization

Links between study programme outcomes, course outcomes and criteria of learning achievement evaluation

Study programme outcomes	Course outcomes	Criteria of learning achievement evaluation
explain the historic and international context of developing countries and regions and predict their prospects for development; consider the practical tasks and problems of developing country and regional policies, suggesting ways they may be resolved in a local and international context;	1. Understanding the concept of civic empowerment	Students are able to present concept of civic empowerment
	2. Being familiar with the theories of collective action and mobilization.	Explain the theories of collective action and mobilization.
	3. Possessing knowledge of the processes of local governance	Describe processes of local governance
	4. Possessing knowledge of the policies of local governance in the developing societies	Explained policies of local governance in the developing societies
	5. Understanding relations between civic engagement and civil society.	Explained relations between civic engagement and civil society.
	6. Understanding peculiarities of the development of postcommunist societies.	Peculiarities of the development of

		postcommunist societies are described.
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Link between course outcomes and content

Course outcomes	Content (topics)
Understanding the concept of civic empowerment	Civic empowerment
Being familiar with the theories of collective action and mobilization.	Theories of collective action Theories of mobilization
Understanding peculiarities of the development of postcommunist societies.	Postcommunist transitions Consolidation of democracy in the Postcommunist societies.
Assessing knowledge of the processes of local governance	Local governance Relations between local and central governments
Assessing knowledge of the policies of local governance in the developing societies	The policies of local governance in the context of transition and consolidation.
Understanding relations between civic engagement and civil society.	Theories of civil society Civil society and civic empowerment

Study (teaching and learning) methods

Teaching methods: presentation, explanation, consultation. Methods of studies: discussions, analysis, essay writing.

Methods of learning achievement assessment

Observation of discussions, essay reading.

Distribution of workload for students (contact and independent work hours)

Lectures – 30 hours, work in groups – 15 hours; paper writing – 15 hours; individual student's work (including preparation for the exam) – 60 hours.
Total – 120 hours.

Structure of cumulative score and value of its constituent parts

Essay (1) – 25%
Mid-term exam – 25%
Exam – 50%

Recommended reference materials

N o.	Publicati on year	Authors of publication and title	Publishing house	Number of copies in		
				University library	Self-study rooms	Other libraries
Basic materials						
1	2004	Snow A, Soule S.A. And Kriesi H. „The Blackwell Companion to Social Movements“	Blackwell			
2	2009	Roberts A, Garton-Ash, T. „Civil resistance and power politics“	Oxford University Press			

3	2005	Denters B., Rose L.E. (eds.). Comparing Local Governance. Trends and Developments	Palgrave			
4	1999	Arato A. Civil Society, Constitution and Legitimacy.	Rowman and Littlefield			
5	2012	Sørensen M.J. and Vinthagen S. Nonviolent „Resistance and Culture“	Ajournal of Peace Research			

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