

TITLE OF THE COURSE:	Social Inequality and Exclusion
Course code:	SOC4021
Course group:	С
Faculty:	Social Sciences
Study program:	Sociology and Anthropology
Level:	Bachelor's
Semester:	Autumn
ECTS credits:	6
Language of instruction	English
Course lecturer/s:	Prof. Artūras Tereškinas
Short course description:	The course focuses on different perspectives and understandings of social inequality and exclusion. It examines the functions of social stratification and welfare state, the phenomena of sociospatial exclusion, sexual and gender inequality, class, social mobility, and subjective welfare. It also pays a considerable attention to the construction of social inequality in different social contexts and survival strategies of underclass and marginalized social groups.
Course content:	 Introductory lecture. Course structure and content. Social inequality and social exclusion: Concepts and definitions. Social inequality, social welfare state and social exclusion. Objective and subjective social exclusion. Factors of social exclusion. Space and social exclusion. Sociospatial differentiation and segregation. Gender, sexuality and social exclusion. Race, ethnicity and social exclusion. Disability and social exclusion. Social outsiders. Winners and losers in capitalist societies. Imprisoned men, disappointment and good life. Social class and social mobility.
Grading and evaluating student work in class and/or at the final exam:	Midterm exam – 20 %, homework (paper)– 20 %, seminar participation – 10 %, final exam – 50 %.



Required reading and additional study material	 Saunders, Peter. Towards New Indicators of Disadvantage Project. Bulletin No. 3 SOCIAL. EXCLUSION IN AUSTRALIA. Butler, Tim, Watt, Paul. 2007. "Poverty, Social Exclusion and the Welfare State." In Tim Butler and Paul Watt, Understanding Social Inequality. London: Sage Publications, p. 100-106. Hutchison, Paul, Abrams, Dominic, Christian, Julie. 2007. "The Social Psychology of Exclusion." In Dominic Abrams, Julie Christian, David Gordon, Multidisciplinary Handbook of Social Exclusion Research. John Wiley & Sons Ltd, p. 29-57. Butler, Tim, Watt, Paul. 2007. "New Spatial and Social Divisions of Labour." In Tim Butler and Paul Watt, Understanding Social Inequality. London: Sage Publications, p. 76-99. Weeks, Jeffrey. 2003. "SEXUALITY, INTIMACY AND POLITICS", In Sexuality, 2nd edition. Routledge, p. 91-116. Alia, Valerie, and Bull, Simone. 2005. "The rise and rise of imputed filth." In Valerie Alia and Simone Bull, Media and Ethnic Minorities. Edinburgh University Press, p. 14-33. Clements, Luke, and Read, Janet. 2008. "Introduction: Life, disability and the pursuit of human rights." In Luke Clements and Janet Read, eds., Disabled People and the Right to Life. Routledge, p. 1-29.
Additional information (if applicable)	