



TITLE OF THE COURSE:	Civic empowerment and mobilization
Course code:	TPV2005
Course group:	C
Faculty:	Faculty of Political Science and Diplomacy
Study program:	International Politics and Development studies
Level:	<i>Bachelor's</i>
Semester:	<i>Autumn</i>
ECTS credits:	5
Language of instruction	English
Course lecturer/s:	Rytis Bulota
Short course description:	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.
Course content:	Civic empowerment. Theories of collective action. Theories of mobilization. Postcommunist transitions Consolidation of democracy in the Postcommunist societies. Local governance. Relations between local and central governments. The policies of local governance in the context of transition and consolidation. Theories of civil society. Civil society and civic empowerment.
Grading and evaluating student work in class and/or at the final exam:	Essay (1) – 25% Mid-term exam– 25% Exam – 50%
Required reading and additional study material	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.



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***Additional information
(if applicable)***