

COURSE DESCRIPTION (Group C)

Course code	Course group	Volume in ECTS credits	Course valid from	Course valid to	Reg. No.
TVP3012	C	4	2012 09 01	2015 09 01	

Course type (compulsory or optional)	Optional
Course level (study cycle)	Bachelor's
Semester the course is delivered	Spring
Study form (face-to-face or distant)	face-to-face

Course title in Lithuanian

POLITINIS PROCESAS IR DALYVAVIMAS

Course title in English

POLITICAL PROCESS AND PARTICIPATION

Short course annotation in Lithuanian

Šiame kurse yra aptariama: demokratija ir politinis dalyvavimas; pilietinė visuomenė; socialinis kapitalas; politinio dalyvavimo apibrėžimas ir koncepcijos; politinio dalyvavimo teorijos; politinio dalyvavimo formos ir rūšys; balsavimas ir rinkėjų aktyvumas; organizacinis politinio dalyvavimo kontekstas; bendruomeninis dalyvavimo kontekstas; dalyvavimas ir gyvenimo ciklas; vertybės ir politinis dalyvavimas; protesto politika; savanorystė; politinis efektyvumas.

Short course annotation in English

This course aims to introduce and systemically discuss methodologically diverse literature that examines various questions relating to political engagement. Students will acquire basic knowledge of political participation analysis.

Prerequisites for entering the course

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Course aim

This course provides the analytical knowledge and practical skills to understand political participation worldwide.

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

Study programme outcomes	Course outcomes	Criteria of learning achievement evaluation
Consider the practical tasks and problems of developing country and regional policies, suggesting ways they may be resolved in a local and international context	Skills to understand and analyze main concepts and issues of political participation, and learn the methods and techniques of analysis of political participation.	Ability to understand main concepts, to assess critically academic texts and to present own argument in a clear and structured form.
	Practical skills to apply the methods and techniques of analysis of political participation for a cross-national analysis and study of the major issues in political participation.	Ability to present own work in a well organized and engaging way, competence in independent research on selected topics for individual written reports and case studies.

Link between course outcomes and content

Course outcomes	Content (topics)
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Skills to understand and analyze main concepts and issues of political participation, and learn the methods and techniques of analysis of political participation.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Democracy and political participation 2. Civil society 3. Social capital 4. Definition and concept of political participation 5. Theories of political participation 6. Forms and types of political participation
Practical skills to apply the methods and techniques of analysis of political participation for a cross-national analysis and study of the major issues in political participation.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Voting behavior and voter turnout 2. Organizational context of political participation 3. Community context of political participation 4. Participation and life cycle 5. Values and political participation 6. Protest politics 7. Volunteerism 8. Political efficacy

Study (teaching and learning) methods

Lectures, problem-oriented training, case studies

Methods of learning achievement assessment

Final exam, case study presentations, written assignment.

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

Lectures and consultations- 30 hours, paper work – 15 hours, independent work -75 hours.

Structure of cumulative score and value of its constituent parts

Ten grade and gathered evaluation system is applied. The semester's individual work tasks are evaluated by grades; the final grade is given during the examination session while multiplying particular grades by the lever coefficient and summing the products. A research paper – 25 %, class participation - 25 %, final exam - 50 % of final grade.

Recommended reference materials

No.	Publication year	Authors of publication and title	Publishing house	Number of copies in		
				University library	Self-study rooms	Other libraries
Basic materials						
1.	2009	Almond G. A., Powell G. B. Jr., Dalton R.J., Strom K. (eds.) <i>Comparative Politics Today: A World View</i>	Pearson	1		
2.	2000	Putnam R.D., <i>Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community.</i>	Simon and Schuster	1		
3.	1995	Verba S., Schlozman K.L. Brady H. E. <i>Voice and Equality: Civic Voluntarism in American Politics.</i>	Harvard University Press	1		
	2011	Norris P. <i>Democratic</i>	Cambridge	1		

		<i>Deficit: Critical Citizens Revisited</i>	University Press			
4.	1997	Inglehart R., <i>Modernization and Postmodernization: Cultural, Economic, and Political Change in 43 Societies.</i>	Princeton University Press	1		
5.	2002	Norris P. <i>Democratic Phoenix: Reinventing Political Activism.</i>	Cambridge University Press	1		
6.	1976	Pateman C., <i>Participation and Democratic Theory.</i>	Cambridge University Press	1		
7.	2012	Rolfe M. <i>Voter Turnout: A Social Theory of Political Participation.</i>	Cambridge University Press			
Supplementary materials						
1.	2000	Bermeo N., Nord. Ph. <i>Civil Society Before Democracy: Lessons from Nineteenth Century Europe.</i>	Rowman & Littlefield Publishers Inc			
2.	2003	Braithwaite V., Levi M. (eds.) <i>Trust and Governance.</i>	Russell Sage Foundation			
3.	2004	Norris P. <i>Electoral Engineering: Voting Rules and Political Behavior.</i>	Cambridge University Press			
4.	1979	Barnes S. H., Kaase M. et. al <i>Political Action. Mass Participation in Five Western Democracies,</i>	Sage Publications			
5.	1977	Milbrath, L., Goel M. L <i>Political Participation.</i>	Rand McNally			
6.	2011	Farrell D.M. <i>Electoral Systems: A Comparative Introduction</i>	Palgrave Macmillan		1	

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