

Name of the course	Field of study and its code	Faculty	Research Department
Political Sociology	Political science 02S	IIRPS	Department of Political Behaviour and Institutions

Study method	Number of credits ECTS	Study method	Number of credits ECTS
Lectures	–	Consultations	1
Individual work	5	Seminars/colloquium	2

Course abstract

Political Sociology is an optional PhD course that focuses on the sociological analysis of politics. The course consists of two blocks: I) Topics in contemporary political sociology: State: development and prospects; Revolutions, social movements and political violence; Trust and social capital; Modernisation, value change and political behaviour; Public sphere and its transformations; Cleavages and the formation of party systems; II) Current trends in political sociology: political sociology book review.

Assessment form: essay-type exam on selected topics in contemporary political sociology (70 %); book review submitted to a Lithuanian or international academic journal (30 %).

Course literature

1. State: development and prospects

Literature:

1. Tilly, Ch. Coercion, *Capital and European States: AD 990-1992*, Cambridge, Oxford: Blackwell, 1992.
2. Zacka, B. *When the state meets the street : public service and moral agency*. Cambridge, London, The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 2017.
3. Jusionytė, I. *Threshold: emergency responders on the US-Mexico border*. Oakland, California: University of California Press.
4. Novak, William J. "Beyond Max Weber: The need for a democratic (not aristocratic) theory of the modern state", *The Tocqueville Review/La revue Tocqueville*, Volume 36, Number 1, 2015, pp. 43-91.

2. Revolutions, social movements and political violence

Literature:

1. Skocpol, T. *Social Revolutions in the Modern World*, Cambridge Un. Press, 1996.
2. Lawson, G. *Anatomies of Revolution*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2019.
3. Charles Tilly and Sidney Tarrow, *Contentious politics* (Second revised edition). Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015.
4. Goldstone, J.A. Toward A Fourth Generation of Revolutionary Theory in *Annual Review of*

Sociology, 2001, vol.4, p.139-187.

3. Trust and social capital

Literature:

1. Putnam, Robert D., *Kad demokratija veikty: pilietinės tradicijos šiuolaikinėje Italijoje*. Vilnius: Margi raštai, 2001, 321 psl.
2. Portes, A., 1998. Social capital: Its origins and applications in modern sociology. *Annual review of sociology*, 24(1), pp.1-24.
3. Fukuyama, Francis, *Trust: The Social Virtues and the Creation of Prosperity*. New York: Free Press Paperbacks Simon and Schuster, 1996, 3-57.
4. Bo Rothstein, "Trust, Social Dilemmas, and Collective Memories", *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 2000, 12(4): 477-501.

4. Modernisation, value change and political behaviour

Literature:

1. Beck, Ulrich, *Risk society: towards a new modernity*. London: Sage Publications, 1993, 91-138, 183-236.
2. Inglehart, Ronald, *Culture Shift in Advanced Industrial Society*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1990, 3-103, 248-392, 422-434.
3. Dalton, Russell, Citizen attitudes and political behavior. *Comparative Political Studies*, 2000, 33(6/7): 912-940.
4. Inglehart, R. and Norris, P., Trump and the populist authoritarian parties: the silent revolution in reverse. *Perspectives on Politics*, 2017, 15(2), pp.443-454.

5. Public sphere and its transformations

Literature:

1. Habermas, Jürgen, *The Structural Transformation of the Public Sphere: An Inquiry into a Category of Bourgeois Society*. Cambridge MA: The MIT Press, 1994, 301 p.
2. Fraser, Nancy, Rethinking the Public Sphere: A Contribution to the Critique of Actually Existing Democracy. In C. Calhoun (ed.) *Habermas and The Public Sphere*. Cambridge: The MIT Press, 1992, pp. 109-142.
3. Cass R. Sunstein, *republic.com*. Vilnius: Margi raštai, 2008, p. 11-57.
4. Schlesinger, P., After the post-public sphere. *Media, Culture & Society*, 2020, 42(7-8), pp.1545-1563.

6. Cleavages and the formation of party systems

Literature:

1. Lipset, S. M. and S. Rokkan (eds.) *Party Systems and Voter Alignments. Cross-national Perspectives*. New York, 1967, 1-64.
2. Bartolini, S. and P. Mair. *Identity, Competition and Electoral Availability The Stabilisation of European Electorates 1885-1985*, ECPR Press, 2007 [1990], pp. 1 – 280.
3. Kitschelt, H. (1995) Formation of Party Cleavages in Post-communist Democracies.

Party Politics, 1 (4): 447-472.

4. Hooghe, L. and Marks, G., 2018. Cleavage theory meets Europe's crises: Lipset, Rokkan, and the transnational cleavage. *Journal of European Public Policy*, 25(1), pp.109-135.

5. Ford, R. and Jennings, W., 2020. The changing cleavage politics of Western Europe. *Annual Review of Political Science*, 23(1), pp. 295-314.

Lecturer	Academic rank	Major works published in the last 5 years
Prof. Ainė Ramonaitė	Dr.	<p>Ramonaitė, A. Mapping the political space in Lithuania: the discrepancy between party elites and party supporters. <i>Journal of Baltic Studies</i>, 2020, 51(4): 477-496. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1080/01629778.2020.1792521</p> <p>Ramonaitė, A. Apklausojo įtaka apklausų rezultatams Lietuvoje: trijų apklausų analizė. <i>Filosofija, Sociologija</i>, 2020, 31(4): 365 – 377.</p> <p>Ramonaitė, A., Petronytė – Urbonavičienė, I., Skirkevičius, P., Vosylius, E. <i>Kas eity ginti Lietuvos? Pilietinio pasipriešinimo prielaidos ir galimybės</i>. Vilnius: Auksožuvys, 2018, 199 p.</p> <p>Ramonaitė, A. Kavaliauskaitė, J. “Qui a conduit la «Révolution chantante» à travers la Lituanie? Une typologie des pionniers du mouvement du Sąjūdis”. <i>Revue Ethnologie française</i>, 2018, 2, 309 – 322.</p> <p>Ramonaitė, Ainė. “Analyzing Electoral Behavior Using PTV’s: Benefits and Methodological Issues.” <i>World Political Science</i> 14.1, 2018: 81-99.</p> <p>Ramonaitė, A. Party regulation against the backdrop of anti-party sentiment: The case of Lithuania. In Fernando Casal Bertoa and Ingrid van Biezen (eds.). <i>The Regulation of Post-Communist Party Politics</i>. Abingdon, New York: Routledge, 2018, pp. 217 – 235.</p> <p>Ramonaitė, A. Socialinė rinkėjų tapatybė ir partijų pasirinkimas: ar yra vietos skirčių politikai Lietuvoje? In Jastramskis M. (ed.) <i>Ar galime prognozuoti Seimo rinkimus? Trijų kūrų problema Lietuvos politikoje</i>. Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 2018, p. 71 – 96.</p> <p>Ramonaitė, A. Valstiečių ir žaliųjų sąjungos sėkmės paslaptis: vertybinė niša ar “viltingasis rinkėjas”? In Jastramskis M. (ed.) <i>Ar galime prognozuoti Seimo rinkimus? Trijų kūrų problema Lietuvos politikoje</i>. Vilnius: Vilniaus</p>

		<p>universiteto leidykla, 2018, p. 153 – 176.</p> <p>Maier, Jürgen, et al. [Ainė Ramonaitė] “This time it’s different? Effects of the Eurovision Debate on young citizens and its consequence for EU democracy—evidence from a quasi-experiment in 24 countries”. <i>Journal of European Public Policy</i>, 2018, 25(4): 606-629.</p> <p>Ramonaitė, A. Polinkis balsuoti už partiją kaip naujas elgesio per rinkimus analizės būdas: galimybės ir metodologinės problemos. <i>Politologija</i>, 2017, 2 (86): 44–83.</p>
Assoc. Prof. Deividas Šlekys	Dr.	<p>Šlekys, D. “Lithuanian Military Transformation and Changing Efficiency of Defence” in Giedrius Česnakas, Nortautas Statkus, eds., <i>Lithuania in the Global Context: National Security and Defence Policy Dilemmas</i>. The General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania, 2020, p. 303–319.</p> <p>Šlekys, D. et all, “Baltics Left of Bang: Comprehensive Defense in the Baltic States”, <i>Strategic Forum</i>, National Defence University, 2020, 1–19.</p> <p>Šlekys, D. “Lithuania’s Balancing Act”, <i>Journal on Baltic Security</i>, 2017, 3(2), pp. 43–54.</p> <p>Šlekys, D. “Intelektualinė refleksija ir civilių-kariškių santykiai Lietuvoje”, <i>Lietuvos metinė strateginė apžvalga 2014-2015</i>. Vilnius: Lietuvos karo akademija, 2015 (lietuvių ir anglų kalbomis), 215–244.</p> <p>Šlekys, D. <i>Mąslaus Vyčio beiėškant. Lietuviėškos karinės minties raida ir būklė po Nepriklausomybės atkūrimo (1990- 2014)</i>. Leidėjas: Lietuvos karo akademija, Vilnius, 2016.</p>

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