

DOCTORAL STUDIES COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION

Name of subject	Field of science, code	Faculty / Center	Institute / Department
Social Information Processing: Achievements, Problems and Prospects	S 006	Faculty of Philosophy	Institute of Psychology

Student's workload	Credits	Student's workload	Credits
Lectures	7	Consultations	
Independent study		Seminars	

Course annotation	
Concepts of social cognition and social information processing. Cognitive, affective and social dimensions of cognition. Cognitive adaptation to social environment. Social cognition, information processing and development of personality.	
Mental representations of social information: cognitive schemas, “working models”, prototypes, behavioural scripts. Types of cognitive schemas (persons, roles, events, etc.) and their functions in social information processing. Social schemas, stereotypical evaluations and prejudice. Features of cognitive schemas activation, state of schema potential activation. Factors of social schemas stability. Stages of social information processing: encoding, interpretation, selection of a goal, response access or construction, response decision. Multiple social information processing activities, feedback loops and cyclical structure of information processing. Interaction of feelings and cognitions in social information processing. Influence of social environment on social information processing.	
Dual-process theories of reasoning: system 1 and system 2 (its description, functions, interaction and dominance). Heuristics and biases in human reasoning: description, manifestation and different types (availability, affect, representativeness heuristics, anchoring effect, confirmation bias, etc.).	
Possible sources of social cognition and social information processing errors'. Processing of social information which is incongruous with cognitive schemas. Biases in social information processing and defensive and inefficient behaviour. Creative social information processing.	
Social information processing: the main research achievements, problems and its possible solutions.	
Prerequisites: The Master's degree in psychology.	
Reading list	
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Hertwig R., Hoffrage U. and the ABC Research Group. (2013). Simple heuristics in a social world. New York: Oxford University Press.
Heuristics and biases: The psychology of intuitive judgment. (2002). Ed. by T. Gilovich, D. Griffin, D. Kahneman. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
Heuristics: The foundations of adaptive behaviour. (2011). Ed. by G. Gigerenzer, R. Hertwig, T. Pachur. New York: Oxford University Press.
Higgins E. T. (2000). Social cognition: Learning about what matters in the social world. <i>European Journal of Social Psychology</i> , 30, 3–39.
Huesmann L. R. (1998). The role of social information processing and cognitive schema in acquisition and maintenance of habitual aggressive behaviour. In: Human aggression: Theories, research and implications for social policy. Ed. by R. G. Geen, E. Donnerstein. San Diego: Academic Press, p. 73–109.
Lemerise E. A., Arsenio W. F. (2000). An integrated model of emotion processes and cognition in social information processing. <i>Child Development</i> , 71, 107–118.
Macrae C. N., Bodenhausen G. V. (2000). Social cognition: Thinking categorically about others. <i>Annual Review of Psychology</i> , 51, 93–120.
Mischel W., Shoda Y. (1999). Integrating dispositions and processing dynamics within a unified theory of personality: The cognitive-affective personality system. In: Handbook of personality: Theory and research. 2-nd ed. Ed. by L. A. Pervin, O. P. John. New York: The Guilford Press, p. 197–218.
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The names of consulting teachers	Science degree	Main scientific works published in a scientific field in last 5 year period
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	Vanagaitė, K., Valickas, G., Mikuličiūtė, V., Čunichina, K. (2021). <i>Vaikų teisinė ir ekonominė socializacija</i> . Mokomoji knyga. Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla. – 264 p.
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