

Y20 - Sociology of Migration

Tutor: Lina Venturas

Semester: 2nd

ECTS: 4

Short Description:

Definitions. Brief history of migrations. Sociology of migration. Causes of migration. Demographic and social characteristics of migrants. Deciding where to go. Work and labour markets. State policies. Family migration, gender and the “second generation”. Nations and foreigners. Migration networks. Ethnic groups. Integration or exclusion. Racism. Globalization and migration. Transnationalism, diasporas and hybridity. Naturalization and double citizenship.

Aims:

To develop familiarity with key concepts and the main sociological theories on migration

To understand:

- a. The complex causes of human mobility
- b. The historicity and the complexity of the migration phenomenon

Learning Outcomes:

To extend knowledge on migration

The use of basic concepts

To distinguish differences between the main theoretical perspectives on migration

Structure:

13 three-hour weekly sessions with input from tutor and discussion

Assessment:

Written examination.

Students who wish to obtain a deeper understanding of the course may prepare a written essay (2000-5000 words), which will account for 50% of their final grade.

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- Schnapper D., S. Allemand (2006), Questionner le racisme, Athens, Patakis.
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