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Introduction to Sociology

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Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	Elements of Sociology
	1. Specificity of the sociological approach; 2. Main sociological points of views; 3. Introduction of the sociological vocabulary: status and role groups and culture - values and norms; 4. Analysis of the main social life's mechanisms: social stratification - classes - social change.
	Introduction to Political Sociology
	Five topics will be taken into consideration:
	1. The State: comparative analysis of the State in sociological theory; 2. Political groups: parties, pressure groups, minorities, revolutionary groups; 3. Political opinions: opinion's formation, theory and methodology of surveys and role of socio-demographic determinants of opinion (age, sex, classes, religion, education,) 4. Electoral Sociology 5. Questions about the industrial society.
	It is a ex-cathedra teaching, with eventually other pedagogical approaches. A syllabus will be available at the beginning of the semester.
Aims:	To introduce the students to the specificity of the sociological approach and to the diversity of the sociological points of views; After introducing to the basic sociological vocabulary, to offer to the students the conceptual and technical instruments for dealing with several sociological questions including those concerned by Public Law. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Cycle and year of study :	 ➤ Bachelor in Law ➤ Master [120] in Environmental Science and Management ➤ Preparatory year for Master in Criminology
Faculty or entity in charge:	BUDR