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socio-anthropology of contemporary Islam

5.0 credits

30.0 h

Teacher(s) :	Maréchal Brigitte ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	Introduce an analysis of Islam as a social and anthropological fact in relation to a comparative sociology of religions and symbolic systems. This analysis will be carried out with particular reference to European Muslim populations.
Aims :	Gain elements of a basic knowledge of the social anthropology of contemporary Islam with view to developing personal critical reflection. 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".
Content :	Epistemological questions involving the study of the Muslim religion by anthropology and sociology.
	Brief introduction to the history of the Islamic religion, to the central points of its doctrine and institutions. Particular attention is paid to the dynamics of Islam in the last century.
	The state of research relative to the sociology and anthropology of Islam. The social anthropology of belonging to Islam based, on an analysis of individual and collective identities. The sociology of organizations and leaderships (analysis of these social factors facilitates our enriching a general sociology of organizations). Analysis of discourse and intra-Muslim currents.
	Processes and presences of the Muslim reality in European institutions and urban spaces: ongoing transactions and competitions (notably concerning headscarves and some rites). Questions relative to the future of European Islam and means of inclusion of Muslim populations in European space.
	This is a lecture course, accompanied by a dossier of lectures. Video materials will be used. Visits to mosques and associations are organized if the group's size permits it.
Other infos :	Evaluation : Oral Examination
	Support : portfolio of lectures (available at the DUC) and reference works (notably in English)
Cycle and year of study :	 Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies Master [60]in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies Certificat universitaire en sciences des religions Master [120] in Sciences of Religions Master [60] in Sociology and Anthropology Master [120] in Sociology Master [120] in Anthropology
Faculty or entity in charge:	PSAD