

5 credits	15.0 h	Q1
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Teacher(s)	Van Ingelgom Virginie ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	In recent decades, significant developments, such as rising education levels, the increasing mobility of people and goods, European integration and globalization, or the development of social media transformed our democracies and the modes of expression of citizenship, in Europe in particular. Through theoretical and empirical tools of political sociology, this course aims to provide understanding of these current transformations. Like any social science, political sociology mobilizes competing paradigms that guide the measure and explanation of the democratic phenomena under scrutiny. This course aims to give an account of some of the central controversies of the discipline surrounding the issues of democracy and citizenship in contemporary societies.
Aims	<p>By questioning the capacity of political sociology - and in particular the study of democracy and citizenship, this course aims to familiarize students with empirical analysis. A series of themes and journal articles that address, in a diversified manner, issues related to citizenship and democracy will be studied. At stake is for students to identify and discuss the approach taken by the authors and thereby for students to use the theoretical and empirical tools to replicate these analyzes on other objects and in other contexts. After completing this seminar, the student should be able to engage into rigorous analysis on democracy and citizenship in order to understand and to grasp current transformations and challenges.</p> <p>-----</p> <p><i>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".</i></p>
Evaluation methods	<p>The course will be assessed through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reading and participation. Each session will be introduced by the discussion of a topic (among those covered in the course) that will be presented by several student(s). This presentation take the form of a collective brief written note. A text on the topic of the session will be made available and will be compulsory reading for all students.</li> <li>- A written essay. The paper is typically related to issues of the course sessions and will be encouraged to use empirical data.</li> <li>- Students' regular participation in the discussion of compulsory readings and during the course will also be considered</li> </ul>
Faculty or entity in charge	PSAD

<b>Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)</b>				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims
Master [120] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M	5		