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| **UNIVERSITY OF NIŠ** | | | | | | |
| **Course Unit Descriptor** | | **Faculty** | | | **Faculty of Philosophy** | |
| **GENERAL INFORMATION** | | | | | | |
| Study program | | | **Sociology** | | | |
| Study Module (if applicable) | | |  | | | |
| Course title | | | **Demographics of partnerships and birth** | | | |
| Level of study | | | ☐Bachelor ☐ Master’s ☐ Doctoral | | | |
| Type of course | | | ☐Obligatory ☐Elective | | | |
| Semester | | | ☐Autumn ☐Spring | | | |
| Year of study | | | 1st year | | | |
| Number of ECTS allocated | | | 5 (five) | | | |
| Name of lecturer/lecturers | | | Suzana Marković Krstić, Associate professor, PhD | | | |
| Teaching mode | | | ☐Lectures ☐Group tutorials ☐ Individual tutorials  ☐Laboratory work ☐ Project work ☐ Seminar  ☐Distance learning ☐ Blended learning ☐ Other | | | |
| **PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW (max. 5 sentences)** | | | | | | |
| The purpose of the course is for students to acquire knowledge of basic demographic indicators of nuptiality, the marriage structure of the population, as well as the socio-demographic aspects of changes in marriage, i.e. partnership, as well as the birth rate. Connecting the demographic indicators of marriage and partnership with declining birth and fertility rates and an understanding of the trend of decades of demographic development of the countries of the European cultural circle and countries in post-socialist transformation. Students will be able to: name and explain the factors of changes in the marriage structure of the population and partnership status (marriage, cohabitation, LAT relationships); describe the complex socioeconomic and cultural basis of the decrease in the frequency of the marriage ceremony, and the aging of fertility, delay of childbearing, opting not to have children; recognize changes within marriage in contemporary society, as well as the consequences of these changes on the macro level. | | | | | | |
| **SYLLABUS (brief outline and summary of topics, max. 10 sentences)** | | | | | | |
| The subject of the demographics of partnership and birth; The sources of data on the population; Nuptiality and partnership; indicators of marriage and divorce; age at marriage and divorce; homogeneity and heterogeneity of marriages and divorces according to the characteristics of the spouses; The marriage structure of the population of Serbia; The birth rate/fertility of the population; Indicators of birth (birth rate and fertility); Linking the variables of partnership and birth; The transition of partnership in developed countries of the West; Blocked transition of partnership in Serbia; (In)sufficient birth rates in developed countries of the West and (in)sufficient birth rates in Serbia; The problem of the determinants of transformation partnerships and insufficient birth. | | | | | | |
| **LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION** | | | | | | |
| ☐Serbian (complete course) ☐ English (complete course) ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (complete course)  ☐Serbian with English mentoring ☐Serbian with other mentoring \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | | | | |
| **ASSESSMENT METHODS AND CRITERIA** | | | | | | |
| **Pre exam duties** | **Points** | | | **Final exam** | | **Points** |
| **Activity during lectures** | **10** | | | **Written examination** | | **30** |
| **Practical teaching**  (seminar papers, presentations) | **20** | | | **Oral examination** | | **10** |
| **Teaching colloquia** | **30** | | | **OVERALL SUM** | | **100** |
| **\*Final examination mark is formed in accordance with the Institutional documents** | | | | | | |