

Faculty Research Areas and Topics for Students Theses

I. Classical and contemporary sociological theories

- Evolution of sociological thought
- Theories about the structure of social change
- Epistemology and methodology of the social sciences
- Forms of science and knowledge in contemporary societies

II. Methods and Techniques of Social Research

- Elaboration of empirical data
- Quantitative and qualitative techniques of data collection and analysis
- Software for data analysis
- Statistics and Statistics for Social Research
- Archives Management, territorial data and social cartography
- Textual analysis

III. Dimensions of socio-economic change

- Mobility and social stratification
- Inequality, social exclusion and poverty
- Social capital and social networks
- Changes in the economy and industrial policy
- Relationship between ethics, economics and corporate social responsibility
- Anthropological dimensions of local development

IV. Migration dynamics

- Socio-economic impact of immigration and policies for immigrants
- Migration and intercultural relations
- Social integration and immigration
- Multiculturalism
- Representations of immigration and differences

V. Economics and Management of companies

- Economy and management of institutions and non-profit associations
- Internationalization processes of firms
- Service science and strategies of service firms
- Internationalization and emerging markets
- Accounting systems and controls
- Information systems and evaluation of economic activities

VI. Families, genders and generations

- Demographic trends of contemporary societies
- Aging processes
- Changes in family patterns
- Everyday life and intimate relationships

Solidarity and tension between genders and generations
Family and care work

VII. Symbolic forms and media strategies

History and anthropology of memory
Religions and contemporary forms of the sacred
Social representations of the body
Media and gender patterns
Wars and conflicts in contemporary societies
Collective imagination and boundaries
New national identity and nationalism
New media and digital inequalities

VIII. Forms and dynamics of tourism phenomena

Designing socio-territorial tourism
Urban tourism
Geography of tourism and cultural heritage
Tourism and local communities
Economy of tourism markets
Monitoring and indicators of tourism development
Territorial Marketing

IX. Collective identities and cultures

Processes of identity construction and the role of the media
Youth cultures and gender identity
Social and cultural innovation
Consumption practices and cultural consumption
Rituals and ceremonies collective
Cultural transformations of time and space
Anthropological and social dimensions of contemporary culture

X. Changes and trends in politics and democracy

Transformations of Democracy
Local political systems
Movements and forms of participation
Public opinion, the media and democracy
Communication and public speech
Voting behaviour and political representation

XI. Organizations and companies

Relationships between organization, work, technology, social system, territories
Innovation and organizational change in enterprises and public administrations
Development of systems and enterprise networks
New forms of organizational models
Working groups and communities of practice
Reliability and organizational mistakes

XII. Regulation and social control

Metamorphosis of the law
Theories and analysis of public action
New forms of deviance and dependencies
Government and security policy

XIII. Change in work and the labour market

Working conditions and quality of life

New and old labour skills

Education system, labour market and social inequalities

Employment, unemployment and atypical employment

Women, youth, the elderly and immigrants between segregation and criminalization

Careers, occupational mobility and social mobility

Professions and knowledge services

Industrial relations and stakeholder organizations

Local labour markets

Labour policies

XIV. Transformation of the territory and the environment

Urban economic systems

Cities and territories in change

Land use policies and the environment: housing, participation and sustainable urban mobility

Local strategic planning

Geography and critical geopolitics

Regional growth and local development

Agriculture and environment as collective resources