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Sociology 310 (SOC 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Humanities](#)

Module credits 30.00

NQF Level 07

Programmes [BTRP](#)

[BA](#)

[BA Law](#)

[BPolSci International Studies](#)

[BPolSci Political Studies](#)

[BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies](#)

[BSW](#)

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Prerequisites SOC 120, SOC 210(GS) or SOC 211 (GS), SOC 220(GS) or SOC 221 (GS)

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Sociology

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Structure, agency and power in social theory

How do we theorise the interrelationships between structure, agency, and power in society? This is the central question in this module, which provides students with an intensive introduction to critical social theories. Engaging with current affairs and debates in society, the module will enable students to learn how to develop theoretical knowledge about the ways in which power is structured and exercised in society – both from above and below, as well as across fields (the economic, the political, the cultural) and scales (the body, private and public spheres, communities and nation-states, and the world-system).

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