

<i>Course title</i> FAMILY SOCIOLOGY	<i>Course code</i> BBNSZ03200	<i>Semester</i> 4
<i>Type of course</i> LECTURE	<i>Hours per week</i> 2	<i>Credits</i> 2

Course objective :

The main purpose of this course is to introduce students to a sociological approach to the study of the family. The family will be analysed as an institution that both responds to and impacts on our social environment. In particular, we will examine the choice of partners, marital interaction, the impact of gender roles on the structure of the family, the division of labour within the family, child rearing and the balancing of work and family life. In addition to these topics, the course proposes to examine issues such as abuse and violence in marital relations, and divorce and remarriage.

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Course description:

	Topic	Number of lectures
1	Introduction. Concept of family. Historical changes of families	2
2	Sociological theories of families	2
3	Different types and forms of families	2
4	Mate selection, cohabitation, marriage	2
5	Childbearing; children in the family	2
6	Socialization in the family	2
7	Family roles and family structure	2
8	Conflicts in the family	2
9	Family violence	2
10	Dissolution of family; divorce	2
11	Remarriage and stepfamilies	2
12	Research methods in family sociology	2

Evaluation, requirements:

Written exam in the end of course, on the base of the lectures and the required readings.

Required readings:

Lamanna, Mary Ann – Agnes Riedmann (2011): Marriage, Families and relationships. Making Choice in a diverse society. 11th Edition.

Monostori, Judit – Óri, Péter – S. Molnár, Edit – Spéder, Zsolt (eds.) (2010): Demographic Portrait 2009. HCSO Demographic Research Institute, Budapest

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Óri, Péter – Spéder, Zsolt (eds.) (2012): Demographic Portrait 2012. HCSO Demographic Research Institute, Budapest

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