## ECTS catalog with learning outcomes University of Montenegro

Faculty of Political Science / INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS / Electoral and Party Systems

| Course: | Electoral and Party Systems |  |  |  |
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| Course ID | Course status | Semester | ECTS credits | Lessons (Lessons+Exer cises+Laboratory) |
| 4268 | Mandatory | 4 | 6 | $2+1+0$ |
| Programs | INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS |  |  |  |
| Prerequisites | No prerequisites required |  |  |  |
| Aims | Introducing students to the structure and effects of elections and electoral systems as an essential element of representative democracy; concepts of political parties and party systems and their operating mode. |  |  |  |
| Learning outcomes | After passing the exam, students will be able to: - Evaluate the place, role and importance of the elections, political parties and candidates in systems of representative government; • Recognize the baseline in the specific discourse and criteria of modern democracy, the existence of elected political office holders; • Evaluates the role and organization of free and fair elections; • Analyze the importance of universal suffrage, the right of citizens to be elected, freedom of expression, the availability of alternative information, the right to political association. |  |  |  |
| Lecturer / Teaching assistant | Zlatko Vujović, PhD, Professor; Marko Savić, MSc, teaching assistant |  |  |  |
| Methodology | Lectures, exercises, seminars, consultations, discussions etc. |  |  |  |
| Plan and program of work |  |  |  |  |
| Preparing week | Preparation and registration of the semester |  |  |  |
| I week lectures | Parties, origins and definitions. |  |  |  |
| I week exercises | Methodology of written work |  |  |  |
| Il week lectures | The types of parties and ideological affiliations |  |  |  |
| II week exercises | How to compare two electoral and party systems? |  |  |  |
| III week lectures | The functions of political parties in a democratic society |  |  |  |
| III week exercises | Basics of presentation of comparison of two party and electoral systems |  |  |  |
| IV week lectures | Party in the system and party as a system (Parties from within) (95 125) The issue of internal democracy, Membership and leadership |  |  |  |
| IV week exercises | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |
| V week lectures | Party systems (classification and typology) |  |  |  |
| V week exercises | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |
| VI week lectures | Peculiarities of political parties in Montenegro |  |  |  |
| VI week exercises | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |
| VII week lectures | Electoral systems: The historical origins of representative government; The basic theoretical aspects of the concept of elections. The basic functions and values of elections and evolution of suffrage experiences |  |  |  |
| VII week exercises | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |
| VIII week lectures | The basic functions and values of choice and evolution of suffrage - experiences: the Great Britain, USA, France and Montenegro |  |  |  |
| VIII week exercises | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |
| IX week lectures | The legal nature of voting rights - right to vote; Active and passive voting rights; Equal voting rights plural votum; Direct and indirect voting rights; Secret and public ballot. |  |  |  |
| IX week exercises | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |
| X week lectures | Legal character of voting rights - Right to vote; Active and Passive Voting Legitimacy; Equal Voting Right - plural vote; Immediate and indirect right of vote; Secret and public vote |  |  |  |
| X week exercises | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |
| XI week lectures | Structure / features / political effects; the method of election for central representative bodies / basic characteristics of models; Majority voting method, Proportional voting method, Mixed electoral methods. Electoral systems in the USA, Great Britain, |  |  |  |
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| XI week exercises |  | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |  |
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| XII week lectures |  | Garrymandering / issues of electoral geography; prohibition clause and its effects; The impact of the constituency magnitude on index and deviation of proportionality. |  |  |  |  |
| XII week exercises |  | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |  |
| XIII week lectures |  | Electoral lists - Basic types and characteristics; ways of voting, the basic types and effects. The distribution of MP seats a) methods of the electoral quotient; b) preferential voting systems/single transferable vote; c) highest average method/method of |  |  |  |  |
| XIII week exercises |  | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |  |
| XIV week lectures |  | The distribution of MP seats a) methods of the electoral quotient; b) preferential voting systems/single transferable vote; c) highest average method/method of lists; |  |  |  |  |
| XIV week exercises |  | Defense of research projects |  |  |  |  |
| XV week lectures |  | The influence of the electoral system on: a) a citizen; b) parties; c) popular participation; abstention/A. Campbell's situational variables; political propaganda - elements of psychology in political propaganda. |  |  |  |  |
| XV week exercises |  | Preparation for final exam |  |  |  |  |
| Student workload |  | Per week 6 credits $\times 40 / 30=8$ hours Structure: 2 hours of lectures 1 hour of exercises 5 hours of individual work Per semester Lectures and final exam ( 8 hours) $\times 16=128$ hours Necessary preparation (administration, enrollment, verification before the beginning of the semester): $2 \times$ ( 8 hours) $=16$ hours Total workload for the course $6 \times 30=180$ hours Additional work: for preparation of make-up exam and taking make-up exam 0-48 hours Structure of working hours: 128 hours (Lectures) +16 hours (Preparation) +36 hours (Additional work) |  |  |  |  |
| Per week |  |  | Per semester |  |  |  |
| 6 credits $\times 40 / 30=8$ hours and 0 minuts <br> 2 sat(a) theoretical classes <br> 0 sat(a) practical classes <br> 1 excercises <br> 5 hour(s) i 0 minuts <br> of independent work, including consultations |  |  | Classes and final exam: <br> $\mathbf{8}$ hour(s) i $\mathbf{0}$ minuts $\mathbf{x} \mathbf{1 6}=\mathbf{1 2 8}$ hour(s) i $\mathbf{0}$ minuts <br> Necessary preparation before the beginning of the semester (administration, registration, certification): <br> $\mathbf{8}$ hour(s) i $\mathbf{0}$ minuts $\mathbf{x} \mathbf{2}=\mathbf{1 6}$ hour(s) i $\mathbf{0}$ minuts <br> Total workload for the subject: <br> $\mathbf{6 \times 3 0 = 1 8 0}$ hour(s) <br> Additional work for exam preparation in the preparing exam period, including taking the remedial exam from 0 to 30 hours (remaining time from the first two items to the total load for the item) <br> 36 hour(s) i 0 minuts <br> Workload structure: $\mathbf{1 2 8}$ hour(s) i $\mathbf{0}$ minuts (cources), $\mathbf{1 6}$ hour(s) i $\mathbf{0}$ minuts (preparation), 36 hour(s) i 0 minuts (additional work) |  |  |  |
| Student obligations |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Consultations |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Literature |  |  | V. Goati, Političke partije i partijski sistemi, FPN, Podgorica, 2008. Doc. Dr Zoran Stoiljković, Partijski sistem Srbije SI. Glasnik, Beograd, 2008. V.Pavićević, Izbori i izborni sistem Crne Gore 1990-1996; V. Pavićević, S.Darmanović, O. Komar, Z |  |  |  |
| Examination methods |  |  | Test - max. 30 points Seminar paper - max. 10 points Exercises - max. 10 points Final exam - max. 50 points |  |  |  |
| Special remarks |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Comment |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade: | F | E | D | C | B | A |
| Number of points | less tha points | greater than or equal to 50 points and less than 60 points | greater than or equal to 60 points and less than 70 points | greater than or equal to 70 points and less than 80 points | greater than or equal to 80 points and less than 90 points | greater than or equal to 90 points |

