

Study Programme: ORGANIC AGRICULTURE			
Course Unit Title: SOCIOLOGY			
Course Unit Code: 19.ORG003			
Name of Lecturer(s): Ph.D. Dejan R. Janković Full Professor; Ph.D. Marica Petrović, Assistant Professor; Ph.D. Marina Novakov, Assistant Professor			
Type and Level of Studies: UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC STUDIES			
Course Status (compulsory/elective): Compulsory			
Semester (winter/summer): Summer			
Language of instruction: Serbian/English			
Mode of course unit delivery (face-to-face/distance learning): face to face			
Number of ECTS Allocated: 5			
Prerequisites:			
Course Aims: The sociology course will introduce students to the basic theoretical and methodological standpoints in relation to urban and rural areas and social phenomena. Changes of social structure and global social processes are the starting point for the analysis of human communities (urban, periurban, rural), economy, social groups and institutions, dominant cultural patterns, environment and sustainable development.			
Learning Outcomes: This course will provide students with: knowledge of the basic sociological categories and methods of research in (rural) sociology; ability to analyze social phenomena in terms of social (urban and rural) structure and social relations; understanding of the basic principles of rural social life, cultural patterns in modern rural society; understanding of complexity of sustainable rural development.			
Syllabus: Meaning and tasks of (rural) sociology as a discipline. Development of rural sociology. Methods in sociology. Meaning, dimensions and elements of social structure. Meaning and types of social change in agriculture and rural areas. Global development processes as agents of change of agrarian and rural structures. Peasant economy and changes in the agrarian structure. The old agrarian relations in Europe and the Balkans and recent changes in the agrarian structure in the Balkans. Family farms and features of rural areas in Serbia in present time. Rural areas and population. Rural social groups. Rural institutions. Rural culture. Diffusion of innovations & agricultural extension. Basics of rural development and agricultural policy – Serbia and EU.			
Required Reading: Course script/material prepared by lecturers.			
Weekly Contact Hours: 3	Lectures: 2	Practical work: 1	
Teaching Methods: Lectures, group work and discussions, seminar papers.			
Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points):			
Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points
Active class participation	20	written exam	

Practical work		oral exam	60
Preliminary exam(s)		
Seminar(s)	20		
The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam, project presentation, seminars, etc.			