

## Place, Society and Culture

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 ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2503710 Geography, Environmental Management and Spatial Planning	FB	2	1

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## Teaching groups languages

You can check it through this [link](#). To consult the language you will need to enter the CODE of the subject. Please note that this information is provisional until 30 November 2023.

## Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites.

## Objectives and Contextualisation

The objective of the subject is to show different ways of studying the territory taking into account social and cultural variables. A general vision of what social and cultural geography is and what have been the main contributions of this subdiscipline. The territories will also be analyzed as a spatial synthesis resulting from the evolution of the demographic, economic, environmental, cultural and political dynamics of contemporary societies.

## Competences

- Analyse and understand geographical dynamics (sociodemographics, geo-economics and environmental) on different territorial scales.
- Critically analyse the relationship between society and the region applying the conceptual and theoretical framework of geography.
- Demonstrate skills of self-analysis and self-criticism
- Students must be capable of applying their knowledge to their work or vocation in a professional way and they should have building arguments and problem resolution skills within their area of study.
- Students must be capable of collecting and interpreting relevant data (usually within their area of study) in order to make statements that reflect social, scientific or ethical relevant issues.
- Students must be capable of communicating information, ideas, problems and solutions to both specialised and non-specialised audiences.

- Students must have and understand knowledge of an area of study built on the basis of general secondary education, and while it relies on some advanced textbooks it also includes some aspects coming from the forefront of its field of study.
- Systematically analyse and interpret environmental, demographic, urban and landscape elements.

## **Learning Outcomes**

1. Analyse and interpret the diversity of social and cultural phenomena in the world.
2. Analysing the main dynamics of today's world from a geographical point of view.
3. Compare and contrast major geographical information.
4. Consider problems of inequality, population distribution and urbanisation in the world, among other things.
5. Consider problems of physical, economic, social and cultural diversity in regions.
6. Contrasting and comparing several interpretations of geographical maps.
7. Demonstrate skills of self-analysis and self-criticism.
8. Describing spatial relationships of the physical, economic, social and cultural diversity of territories on different territorial scales.
9. Describing the main economic, social and cultural contemporary problems in the world.
10. Interpreting today's main events from physical, economic, social and cultural diversity.
11. Students must be capable of communicating information, ideas, problems and solutions to both specialised and non-specialised audiences.
12. Use the main concepts related to territory and their consequences.

## **Content**

1. What is social and cultural geography? Key concepts (landscape, region, territory, space and place)
2. Geographies of well-being
  - Housing
  - Health
  - Nature and city
1. Difference and diversity in urban and rural spaces
  - Gender, sexuality and class. Inequality and poverty in the Global North and South
  - Children, young people, elderly people
  - Multiculturalism
  - Gentrification
1. Geographies of social justice:
  - Space justice
  - Environmental justice
  - Social movements

## **Methodology**

There will be lectures, classroom practices, debates, readings and students will explain their work in oral presentations.

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## Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Classes in the clasroom + Classroom exercises	33.33	1.33	2, 8, 12
Type: Supervised			
Evaluation	16.67	0.67	7, 5
Type: Autonomous			
Personal study + compulsory readings	69	2.76	1, 8, 10

## Assessment

### CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

The final grade of the subject in continuous assessment is calculated based on the weighted average of a series of evidence:

- Theoretical tests (40%):

- Reading control (20%)
- Exam (20%)

- Classroom practices (20%):

- Landscape analysis practice (10%)
- Collaborative mapping practice (10%)

- Delivery of work (35%):

- Humanities library specific training module (10%)
- Group work on memory, and oral presentation (20%)

- Attendance and active participation in class (5%)

*\*Estimated date (to be confirmed at the beginning of the semester)*

### SINGLE EVALUATION

Place, society and culture can be carried out in single assessment, as long as it is properly requested in the established period (between September 18 and October 6). The final mark of the subject in single assessment is calculated based on the weighted average of a series of evidence that must be delivered or completed between January 8 and 19 (date pending definition):

- Theoretical exam (40%)

- Reading and review of a book to choose from a list defined by the professor (20%)

- Delivery of work (40%):

- Humanities library specific training module (10%): October 27, 2023\*
- Submission of an individual in-depth research paper on a topic established by the teacher (30%)

\**This is the only test that must be submitted outside the single assessment period.*

The first day of the class will be discussed in detail the evaluation activities. They will be uploaded to Moodle and will be discussed in the classroom.

On carrying out each evaluation activity, lecturers will inform students (on Moodle) of the procedures to be followed for reviewing all grades awarded, and the date on which such a review will take place.

#### REEVALUATION

To take part in the reevaluation, students must have previously been assessed in a set of activities with a weight equivalent to a minimum of 2/3 of the total qualification (CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT) or submitted all the tests and activities (SINGLE EVALUATION).

To participate in the recovery process, the student must have obtained a final grade of 3.5.

There will be a re-evaluation of all those submitted tests that have not been passed (with a grade lower than 5). The re-evaluation of the theoretical exams will be in the form of an exam. The re-evaluation of the rest of the activities will consist of referring the evidence. Re-evaluated activities score between 0 and 5.

The following activities are excluded from the re-evaluation process: oral presentations, group work, tasks related to daily teaching activity.

The same assessment method as continuous assessment will be used for single evaluation.

#### REVIEWING GRADES

On carrying out each evaluation activity, lecturers will inform students (on Moodle) of the procedures to be followed for reviewing all grades awarded, and the date on which such a review will take place

#### NOT ASSESSED/NOT SUBMITTED

Students will obtain a "Not assessed/Not submitted" course grade unless they have submitted more than 1/3 of the assessment items.

#### PLAGIARISM

In the event of a student committing any irregularity that may lead to a significant variation in the grade awarded to an assessment activity, the student will be given a zero for this activity, regardless of any disciplinary process that may take place. In the event of several irregularities in assessment activities of the same subject, the student will be given a zero as the final grade for this subject.

Those assessment acts in which there have been irregularities (copying, unauthorized use of AI, etc.) are not subject to re-evaluation.

## Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Attendance and participation in the classroom	5%	4	0.16	2, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11

Classroom exercises	20%	5	0.2	3, 9, 8, 5, 12
Exams	40%	7	0.28	1, 8, 10, 4
Work in group	35%	15	0.6	1, 6, 8, 5, 11

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## Software

Word, excel, powerpoint (o programas equivalentes en software libre). Navegadores web.

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