Course title: Socio-Philosophical Thinking

Course code: MGE0825

Type of course: compulsory

Course level: MA Year of study: 1<sup>st</sup> Semester: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Number of ECTS credits allocated: 6 Name of the lecturer: Alexander Rubel

**Course objective:** The concept of social philosophy and its meanings; the birth of social sciences: explanation and understanding. Representatives and their works: Auguste Comte. Wilhelm Dilthey. The relationship between sociology and social philosophy. Karl Marx. Max Weber. The relation between the individual and the society: Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Immanuel Kant, Émile Durkheim, Jürgen Habermas, Niklas Luhmann.

**Course contents:** The subjects to be discussed are: social pathologies: estrangement, nihilism, depersonalisation, the loss of community.

**Recommended reading:** Horster, Detlef, Sozialphilosophie, Leipzig 2005; Interpretationen: Hauptwerke

der Sozialphilosophie, Stuttgart 2001; Marga, Andrei, Filosofia lui Habermas, Iasi, 2006 **Teaching methods**: lectures, active attendance, focus on an interactive approach **Assessment methods:** course activity and attendance, essay and written examination

Language of instruction: German