JSM 584  Elderly Care and Intergenerational Solidarity in International Context

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Semester: Winter Semester 2019/20

Description: Compact course (16 hours) with an introduction (3 hours) and concluding lectures with student presentations (5 hours).

Dates:
October 15th – Introduction & sem. paper topic selection – (3 hours)
November 5th – 8th – Compact course 4 x 4 hours (16 hours)
November 29th – Seminar papers student presentation (5 hours).

Place: ISS FSV UK – Jinonice – campus – J2019

Consultation: Tuesday October 15th, November 5th 6th 7th and Friday November 29th

Credits: 8 ECTS Credits

Design: The course is designed for Master and PhD students of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Humanities Charles University.

Course Description

To describe and analyze the various needs of elders' care in the context of the family, community and formal and informal services. To present the relevant and central theories (e.g., life course, exchange theory; activity and disengagement theories; modernization, continuity).

To discuss empirical findings of several international research projects on intergenerational family relations. This, in order to understand the intricate relations in multi-generational families, emphasizing social, cultural, demographic, political and economic related factors.

During the course the above issues will be discussed in an international perspective focusing on the unique situation in the multi-cultural society of Israel.

Student Requirements

Preparatory reading of suggested bibliography. Regular attendance of lectures.

Selection of the topic for individual seminar paper (due to the introductory lecture October 15th). Short seminar paper (7-10 pages incl. references). Presentation of paper (on November 29th).

Specific topics

Introduction to Elderly Care in Czech, Israeli society and in international context.
Multigenerational bonds, intergenerational solidarity and family cohesion in Czech families with a dependent senior.

Social, psychological, economic and familial changes and their implication on aging processes.

Theorizing Intergenerational family relations: solidarity, conflict and ambivalence in cross-national contexts: Evaluating the different dimension.

Reciprocity in parent-child exchange and life satisfaction among elders and their family members.

Care relations in different family types and their implications on elders' quality of life.

Impact of Post-care on various life domains of primary carers in ethnic cultures like Jews and Arabs in Israeli society.

Health and quality of life in old age: State versus family responsibility.

Grandparenthood in the changing modern society.

Active and productive Aging and Aging in Place

Elder abuse, exclusion and ageism

**Suggested Bibliography**


