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Course Unit Program
Introduction to Social Sciences

Academic Year 2025/2026

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Business and Economic Sciences

2. Course

ECONOMICS

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Introduction to Social Sciences (03308)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

1st

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

2nd Semester

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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	
Practical classes:	
Theoretical-Practical Classes	30,00
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

Prof. Doutor ANTÓNIO AUGUSTO TEIXEIRA DA COSTA

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

Knowing how the social sciences produce knowledge about contemporary economic and social reality;
Provide elementary scientific resources and domains with an emphasis on economic science;
Raising awareness of the need and usefulness of interdisciplinary collaboration;
Providing instruments with a view to carrying out autonomous research in economic science.

15. Specific Objectives

Know conceptual models in science and economics;
Know the specificities of economics as a social science;
Knowing how to research any topic in the economic area.

16. Skills to be acquired

Knowing how to think in holistic terms;
Learn to reflect on social issues.
Develop creativity and critical thinking;
Develop skills to work in a group.

17. Teaching Methodology

Theoretical-practical classes using new information and communication technologies; Questions for discussion and case analysis.

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18. Course Unit Program

1. The economy and what economists study;
2. The economics/management approach to the major problems of the 21st century
3. Economics as a science
4. Economics and social sciences;
5. Economics is an empirical science;
6. The essence of the methodology and the methodology of economics/management

19. Assessment Methods

A practical work in a group (40%)
Two tests (60%).

20. Didactic Resources

Video projector;

Search on the Internet;

Specialized bibliography.

21. Sustainability Objectives

The subject pursues, with more intensity, the following Sustainable Development Goals:
4- Quality education;
7- Renewable and accessible energies;
8- Decent work and economic growth;
9- Industry, innovation and infrastructure;
10- Reduce inequalities;
11- Sustainable cities and communities;
12- Sustainable production and consumption and
13- Climate action.

22. Keywords

Science;
Social Sciences;
Economy;
Management;
Methodology;
Investigation.

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Publisher: Conjuntura Atual Editora.
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Author(s): UNDP
Title: Human Development Report.
Edition: Year: 2019
Local:
Publisher:
ISBN Code:

Author(s): Blaug, M
Title: A metodologia da economia
Edition: Year: 1994
Local: Lisboa
Publisher: Gradiva
ISBN Code:

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Author(s): Barbiere, F., Feijó, R.L.C
Title: Metodologia do Pensamento Económico
Edition: Year: 2013
Local: São Paulo
Publisher: Atlas
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