

## COURSE OUTLINE

### (1) GENERAL

<b>SCHOOL</b>	School of Social Sciences		
<b>ACADEMIC UNIT</b>	Sociology Department		
<b>LEVEL OF STUDIES</b>	Undergraduate		
<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>EKPK 251</b>	<b>SEMESTER</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	Educational Action Research		
<b>INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES</b> <i>if credits are awarded for separate components of the course, e.g. lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If the credits are awarded for the whole of the course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits</i>		<b>WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
		3	5
Add rows if necessary. The organisation of teaching and the teaching methods used are described in detail at (d).			
<b>COURSE TYPE</b> <i>general background, special background, specialised general knowledge, skills development</i>	specialised general knowledge		
<b>PREREQUISITE COURSES:</b>	None		
<b>LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS:</b>	Greek		
<b>IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS</b>	Yes		
<b>COURSE WEBSITE (URL)</b>	<a href="https://elearn.uoc.gr/course/view.php?id=3320">https://elearn.uoc.gr/course/view.php?id=3320</a>		

### (2) LEARNING OUTCOMES

<p><b>Learning outcomes</b></p> <p><i>The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level, which the students will acquire with the successful completion of the course are described.</i></p> <p>Consult Appendix A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Description of the level of learning outcomes for each qualifications cycle, according to the Qualifications Framework of the European Higher Education Area</li> <li>• Descriptors for Levels 6, 7 &amp; 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and Appendix B</li> <li>• Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes</li> </ul>
<p>The aim of the course is to familiarize students with educational action research. Upon the completion of the course the students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Distinguish between educational research and education action research</li> <li>2. Understand the epistemological basis of action research</li> <li>3. Be aware of the different streams of educational action research during 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> century</li> <li>4. Understand the basic methodological principles of educational action research</li> <li>5. Be aware of the different ways of collecting and analyzing data in educational action research</li> <li>6. Be aware of the importance of educational action research to the improvement of pedagogical practices and the development of curriculum.</li> </ol>
<p><b>General Competences</b></p> <p><i>Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma</i></p>

<i>Supplement and appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?</i>	
<i>Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology</i>	<i>Project planning and management</i>
<i>Adapting to new situations</i>	<i>Respect for difference and multiculturalism</i>
<i>Decision-making</i>	<i>Respect for the natural environment</i>
<i>Working independently</i>	<i>Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues</i>
<i>Team work</i>	<i>Criticism and self-criticism</i>
<i>Working in an international environment</i>	<i>Production of free, creative and inductive thinking</i>
<i>Working in an interdisciplinary environment</i>	<i>.....</i>
<i>Production of new research ideas</i>	<i>Others...</i>
	<i>.....</i>
<p>Working independently</p> <p>Team work</p> <p>Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology</p> <p>Project planning and management</p> <p>Respect for difference and multiculturalism</p> <p>Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues</p> <p>Criticism and self-criticism</p> <p>Production of free, creative and inductive thinking</p>	

### (3) SYLLABUS

In the course we will explore the following topics:	
1.	The positivistic orientation of educational research
2.	The educational action research as an overcoming of the gap between educational theory and pedagogical practice
3.	Donald Schoen: The Reflective practitioner
4.	Lawrence Stenhouse: Educational Action research and development of curriculum
5.	The critical educational action research
6.	The different roles in an educational action research
7.	Collection and analysis of data in educational action research

#### (4) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

<b>DELIVERY</b> <i>Face-to-face, Distance learning, etc.</i>	Face to face lectures,	
<b>USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY</b> <i>Use of ICT in teaching, laboratory education, communication with students</i>	Power point, e-learning platform supporting face-to-face lectures	
<b>TEACHING METHODS</b> <i>The manner and methods of teaching are described in detail.  Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice, fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography, tutorials, placements, clinical practice, art workshop, interactive teaching, educational visits, project, essay writing, artistic creativity, etc.    The student's study hours for each learning activity are given as well as the hours of non-directed study according to the principles of the ECTS</i>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Semester workload</b>
	Lectures	60
	Interactive Teaching	15
	Essay writings (optional)	30
	Study and analysis of bibliography	20
<b>STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION</b> <i>Description of the evaluation procedure    Language of evaluation, methods of evaluation, summative or conclusive, multiple choice questionnaires, short-answer questions, open-ended questions, problem solving, written work, essay/report, oral examination, public presentation, laboratory work, clinical examination of patient, art interpretation, other    Specifically-defined evaluation criteria are given, and if and where they are accessible to students.</i>	Final written exam which includes short-answer questions open-ended questions.	
	Writing Essay (optional)	
	Language of evaluation: Greek	

#### (5) ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

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