

If you are visiting NTU during second half of the year (term 2 and 3), you will be joining modules that have already started in the autumn. Please note that in term 3 there is usually a very limited amount of classes provided. The module leaders will help you integrate into the module and for this purpose suggest you any useful readings. For more information on the content of the 10 credit versions of each module for each semester, please contact Dr Michele Grigolo (michele.grigolo@ntu.ac.uk).

Module Title	NTU Credits/ ECTS	Year	Delivery	Module content
Social Methodologies	20/10	2	Full Year	This module extends and deepens your practical research skills and understanding of theoretical issues in the production of knowledge. It forms part of the research strand of your degree building on Sociological Research Methods in Action in Year One and leading in to the independent research project you'll undertake in Year Three (dissertation or report).
Social Methodologies	10/5	2	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Constructing Modern Societies	20/10	2	Full Year	The module seeks to develop your skills of reflexivity, critical awareness of, and responsible engagement, with the real world by introducing you to the fundamental and essential concepts and values of sociological thought and practice. Sociology is often stated to be discussion of modern times (Giddens) and it is in that spirit that this module attempts to help you use a sociological imagination, based upon sound sociological knowledge, to help you navigate the modern world.
Constructing Modern Societies	10/5	2	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Social Sustainability: From the Local to the Global	20/10	2	Full Year	The focus of the module is social sustainability, from the local to the global, particularly social exclusion and inclusion, from academic and practical perspectives. Indicative topics include: theoretical material, poverty, hardship, welfare, political exclusion and homelessness, with reference to personal identities, including the importance of place. The module works to prepare you the critical review of materials which will be needed in your dissertation in year 3, and for writing reports in graduate employment. The internationalisation element helps you learn to operate effectively in a global environment. There is normally an optional 1-week study trip or a visit to a conference on an international issue linked to this module – such activities are open to all students.
Social Sustainability: From the Local to the Global	10/5	2	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Gender, Violence and Society	20/10	2	Full Year	This module explores feminist research and activism into gender inequalities in contemporary societies. The module focuses upon broad gender themes in Term one (such as school, university, personal relationships, paid and unpaid work, abortion, body image, eating disorders and cosmetic surgery), and it looks at contributions made by contemporary campaigning organisations such as the Fawcett Society and UK Feminista. Then it narrows to consider selected aspects of gendered violence in Term two and three (such as personal safety, stalking, abuse of power by professionals, intimate partner violence, rape, child abuse and sexual exploitation, pornography and prostitution). The module argues that violence can only occur because of the taken-for-granted nature of many more everyday instances of gender inequalities.
Gender, Violence and Society	10/5	2	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Sociology of Consumption	20/10	2	Full Year	This module introduces some key concepts and materials within the topic of the sociology of consumption. This module will allow you to apply key issues, concepts and debates in the sociology of consumption. You will explore the social, political, and economic significance of consumption practices at a global and local level. More specifically, the module will address how the dynamism of neo-liberal capitalistic society can colonise time as well as space, how the future is dissolved into the present and how this may cause consumptive habitual practices that provides a cyclical perception of the future with the promise of progress via a cult of speed. As such, capitalism appears to offer liberation whilst at the same time appropriating the needs, desires, and emotions of the social actor. In so doing, capitalism mitigates the potential for resistance by promoting consensual participation in
Sociology of Consumption	10/5	2	Term 1	
The Body in Society	20/10	2	Full Year	This module explores a sociological perspective on how aspects of the human body relate to of the social organisation of everyday life. It will introduce students to key theorists whose work helps us sociologically understand issues of embodiment, such as Douglas, Elias, Turner, and Shilling as well as consider how issues of embodiment and corporeality shape and are shaped by social identities and processes.
The Body in Society	10/5	2	Term 1	
Sociology of Education	20/10	2	Full Year	This module will examine the various perspectives and theoretical traditions which have developed through the sociological analysis of formal education and lifelong learning. It will focus on how both formal and informal learning contribute to some of the key processes of identity formation, social and cultural reproduction and transformation in modern societies.
Sociology of Education	10/5	2	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Religion & Society	20/10	2	Full Year	This module introduces you to some major theoretical perspectives within the sociology of religion. You will also explore the diversity of religious life in contemporary society - from institutional affiliation to spiritual seeking. The module will also encourage you to reflect on 'religion;' in its widest sense, and on how religion impacts upon the lives of believers.
Religion & Society	10/5	2	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Political Sociology	20/10	2	Full Year	The module provides you with a critical understanding of some of the ways in which sociologists have studied political phenomena. It aims to analyse the main theories and debates within political sociology; critically examine a range of traditional sociological approaches towards the state and society and critically assess the impact of 'new' political sociology; in particular globalisation, postmodernism and cultural politics. As well as reviewing a range of contemporary conceptualisations of politics, the state, society and power.
Political Sociology	10/5	2	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Theorising Contemporary Society	20/10	3	Full Year	You will become familiar with, be able to make comparisons and critically reflect on contemporary sociological theory. You will also evaluate issues in contemporary personal and social life using the concepts and themes found in contemporary sociological theory, including such issues friendship, intimacy and 'personal communities'; virtual communities, motility/mobility and the 'culture of immediacy'. The module will also examine recent discussions of 'the human' and post-humanism.
Theorising Contemporary Society	10/5	3	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Sociology of Work and Career	20/10	3	Full Year	
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Identities and Intimacies	20/10	3	Full Year	This module is focused on the sociology of intimate life. Throughout the module you will reflect on issues connected to love, family, friend and sexual relationships and practices. You will reflect on the meaning of words such as 'love', 'family', and 'friendship', as well as developing your knowledge of sociological understandings of identity.
Identities and Intimacies	10/5	3	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Sociology of Interpersonal Abuse	20/10	3	Full Year	Explore the dynamics of interpersonal abuse, with a particular focus upon rape and domestic violence. The module considers: the history of interpersonal violence; how it can be defined and theorised from a sociological perspective; the nature of its perpetrators and victims/survivors, with reference to gender, sexuality, disability, ethnicity, age, religion, location and health; material from contemporary culture (print, broadcast and social media, television, film, fiction and memoir) and what this reveals; individual and collective coping/survival strategies of victims/survivors, including exploration of the work of organisations such as Rape Crisis and Women's Aid; legal responses and their efficacy; psychotherapeutic interventions; and - most importantly - education/activism seeking the prevention of interpersonal abuse and the creation of a more equal society.
'Race', Culture and Society	20/10	3	Full Year	Debates about 'race' and the impact of racism are central to how we understand historical constructions of Europe and contemporary society. Diversity, difference, inequality and power warrant critical interrogation and sociology can offer much to understanding these contentious issues. This module considers sociological perspectives on 'race' and racism, examines 'old' and 'new' forms of racism and encourages you to think about how social identities are 'racialised'. The intersection between 'race', class, gender and other social identities also features strongly in this module. Drawing on contemporary testimonies, statistical evidence, media and other data sources, you will also investigate the connection between 'race', culture and a wide range of social, health, criminal justice, political and economic issues.
'Race', Culture and Society	10/5	3	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Youth, Culture and Society	20/10	3	Full Year	This module will allow you to critically appraise and evaluate key issues, concepts and debates in the sociology of youth. You will explore the way in which youth has historically been constructed and studied, examining how sociology has applied competing ideas of culture and identity to an understanding of young people. You will look at the way sociologists have sought to understand young people, exploring the divergence of youth research into the distinctly different traditions of youth cultural studies and youth transitions studies. While understanding these different approaches to the study of youth, you will also engage with more recent attempts to synthesise these into a more holistic understanding of youth in society. As well as engaging critically with these theoretical debates within sociology, you will have the opportunity to critically evaluate recent public policy concerning young people and various attempts that have been made to shape young people's social, economic, political and cultural lives.
Youth, Culture and Society	10/5	3	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Technology and Society	20/10	3	Full Year	This module is concerned with the impact information and communication technologies have on social change in contemporary society. Society has undergone rapid change in the past fifty years, and it is no coincidence that this change has occurred alongside unprecedented advances in technologies. The Internet, and the associated communication technologies that connect us have become so deeply embedded within institutions, that some sociologists suggest we are living in a 'Network Society'. To this end, contemporary society cannot be fully understood without also understanding the role that new technologies play in facilitating social change. This module will introduce you to some of the most recent perspectives and debates informing an understanding of the information society, while also making use of some of the latest technologies to enhance your learning and immerse you in the topic.
Technology and Society	10/5	3	Term 1 or 2 &3	
Community Organising	20/10	3	Full Year	This module explores the theory and practice of one approach to democratic engagement: community organizing. Community organizing is a political process where people come together to act in their shared self-interest and for the common good. It distinguishes civil society from the state and the market, and seeks to move the role of citizens from powerless and passive voting and consuming to one active in social change. It achieves this by building relationships between civil society institutions (faith organisations, education, unions, charities) and between the people within them. This module will take you to the heart of community organizing. By combining in-depth sociological analysis and research with practical community organizer training, you will develop advanced theoretical insights into how society organises itself and challenges traditional power structures. You will also become an active member of a broad-based community alliance, giving you first-hand experience of 'doing' community organising. Through this experience, you will develop skills in negotiation, leadership, networking and power analysis. You will also have the opportunity to work alongside some of Nottingham's civil society leaders and see very real outcomes of your involvement.
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