Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ljubljana – The centre of knowledge and research in the social sciences
The University of Ljubljana is an institution with a very rich tradition. It was established in 1919 on the foundations of a long-established pedagogical tradition. It is a very large university, with 50,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students enrolled in over 300 different undergraduate and postgraduate study programmes. It employs approximately 6,000 higher education teachers, researchers, assistants and administrative staff in 23 faculties and 3 arts academies. The central building, all three academies and faculties are located in the centre of the city. Some of the most recent and modern buildings were constructed on the outskirts of Ljubljana, giving the university and its students an ubiquitous presence in the city. It is ranked among the largest universities in the world, and is the central and largest educational institution in Slovenia. The University of Ljubljana is renowned for its quality social, natural science and technical study programmes, structured in accordance with the Bologna Declaration. Our projects keep pace with the latest developments in the fields of the arts, sciences and technology at home and abroad. The University has close ties with Slovenian companies and foreign enterprises. Our partners include multinational corporations and the most successful Slovenian companies.

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The Faculty of Social Sciences (FDV) is well known for its interdisciplinary study programmes, research activities and high quality teaching, as well as many curricular and extra-curricular activities. The faculty builds its academic excellence through outstanding theoretical and empirical research, extensive scholarly publishing, and a successful transfer of research results in curricula as well as the industries. Up-to-date, relevant and interactive study programmes offer extensive, relevant, systematic, high quality and applicable knowledge about society and social phenomena, both nationally and internationally. Interactive and contemporary study programmes offer a broad understanding of and insight into what is happening in society, as well as a solid basis for developing a critical view of the contemporary social phenomena and for thinking about the challenges, and their possible solutions. We encourage students to actively engage with teachers in our modern lecture halls, and we seek to involve students in our ongoing research projects, we offer extramural activities and practice in our multimedia classroom, we pride ourselves on having Slovenia’s largest social sciences library and our own publishing house. These are some of the reasons for choosing the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Ljubljana as your next study destination.
Study at the Faculty of Social Sciences

The Faculty of Social Sciences offers interdisciplinary and interactive study programmes in the fields of political science, communication studies, cultural studies and sociology. We offer Bologna type programmes in all three cycles (4+1+3 structure).

### BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

**In Slovenian:**
- Analytical Sociology
- Cultural Studies
- European Studies
- International Relations
- Journalism Studies
- Marketing Communications and Public Relations
- Political Science - Politics and the State
- Political Science – Defense Studies
- Political Science – Studies of Democracy and Governance
- Professional Higher Education in Social Informatics
- Social Informatics
- Sociology - Management of Organizations, Human Resources and Knowledge

**In English:**
- European Studies
- International Relations
- Political Science - Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- Political Science - Political Theory
- Social Informatics
- Sociology - Management of Organizations, Human Resources and Knowledge

### MASTER’S PROGRAMMES

**In Slovenian:**
- Communication Studies
- Cultural Studies – Studies in Culture and Religion
- Defense Studies
- Journalism Studies
- Sociology
- Sociology – Management of Organizations, Human Resources and Knowledge

**In English:**
- European Studies
- International Relations
- Political Science - Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- Political Science - Political Theory
- Social Informatics
- Sociology - Management of Organizations, Human Resources and Knowledge
- Strategic Marketing Communication

### JOINT EUROPEAN MASTER’S PROGRAMMES

**In English:**
- European Master Programme Co-De – Comparative Local Development
- European Master’s Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation

### DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

**In English and Slovenian:**
- Interdisciplinary Doctoral Programme – The Humanities and Social Sciences

### INTERDISCIPLINARY DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES

**In English and Slovenian:**
The Faculty of Social Sciences is participating in the following study programmes organised at the university level:
- Environmental Protection
- Statistics
Career centre
We not only wish to offer our students the best education possible, but also give them an opportunity to form contacts with their future employers. During their studies, students meet numerous experts making guest appearances in practicum sessions and others through work experience. At the University of Ljubljana, 26 institutions have established career centres, which implement different forms of practical training, such as collaborating with different kinds of organisations, engaging experts from practice in the study process, problem solving, team work, mentoring, voluntary work, applicable research projects, event organisation, tutoring, etc.

Multimedia classroom
The faculty offers programmes in the fields of journalism, media, marketing communications, social science informatics and cultural sciences, which also require multimedia knowledge. This is why the multimedia classroom offers students not only technical support, but also a constantly developing studio, where, as part of the educational process, they can acquire knowledge and skills relating to the creation and design of products for the media supported by new technological facilities and resources. The multimedia classroom provides a professional and fully technically equipped space, which can also be rented by different kinds of organisations for the execution of multimedia projects.

Student exchange
We are aware that student exchange programmes contribute to the development of modern societies, ethical values and individuals in general. The faculty offers undergraduate and postgraduate courses for foreign students, based on modern teaching methods. The Faculty of Social Sciences has as many as 154 signed bilateral agreements within the Erasmus Programme and 29 bilateral agreements with universities located outside of the EU. Every year we host about 250 exchange students and as many as 200 of our students decide to study at our partner universities.

Student life
Once our student, you can expect an exciting and diverse student life. This life opens many doors to the recognition and understanding of exciting social theories and practices. There are some well organised supplementary student activities to enrich student life, which are disseminated across the whole university and offer a wide array of options.

FDV Art Gallery
The Faculty of Social Sciences is an institution open to artists from different provenance. The FDV Art Gallery was born in May 2008 and has since hosted numerous exhibitions by acclaimed Slovene and foreign artists and institutions. Besides its purely artistic purpose, its main objective is to stimulate awareness about social phenomena by combining interpretations of social phenomena from the standpoint of social sciences with those from an artistic viewpoint.

Alumni
The alumni club has been established in order to give all our graduates the opportunity of networking and staying in touch, thus connecting our faculty with the corporate world and other professional fields, which we are all part of.
The Central Social Sciences Library is one of the largest academic libraries in Slovenia. It houses a dedicated social sciences research collection to support the research, teaching and learning needs of the Faculty, the University and the public community in general. It is an arena of intense intellectual inquiry and aspires to remain a forward-looking, diverse and user-oriented library and information center. It continues to embrace change to support professional growth and enhance its services for present and future users. The Library preserves information across all formats and ensures effective storage and delivery systems. Through promotion of a variety of expert services and e-courses on information literacy the library enhances access to its resources and collections. The open-access reading room with the inner terrace offer a comfortable, welcoming and secure place of study, research work and interaction.

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Research at the Social Sciences Research Institute is carried out within the framework of national and international research programmes. Intensive research is carried out within European Union research projects, but researchers and research centres are also included in other international research. We execute about 80 research projects annually, funded partly by the State and partly by contracts with other organizations or institutions.

There are 19 research centres within the framework of the institute, active in four areas of social sciences. Department of Sociology: Centre for Social Informatics, Centre for Methodology and Informatics, Centre for Welfare Studies, Centre for Organisational and Human Resources Research, Centre for Comparative Corporate and Development Studies, Centre for Spatial Sociology, Public Opinion and Mass Communication Research Centre, Centre for Social Psychology, Research Center for Strategy and Governance. Department of Political Science: Centre for Political Science Research, International Relations Research Centre, Centre for Critical Approach to Political Science, Center for Analysis of Administrative-Political Processes and Institutions, Defence Research Centre. Department of Communication: Research Centre for the Terminology of Social Sciences and Journalism, Centre for Marketing and Public Relations, Social Communication Research Centre.
The Social Science Data Archives (ADP) is a national resource centre, which acquires data from academic research projects and government or commercial surveys. The archives offer access to data that is interesting for social science analysis, with an emphasis on problems related to Slovenian society. Priority is given to theoretically significant and methodologically well designed studies, especially data gathered over a period of time and international comparative data that include Slovenia. They are used not only for comparative analyses, but also to examine the reliability and validity of existing measurement tools in the design of new studies. Stored data is in computer-readable form to facilitate further study, statistical analysis, and presentation. Methodological descriptions, such as defining target populations, sample size and design, survey procedures and measurements, provide the basis for assessing the quality of the data for specific research purposes. Data catalogued covers the following domains: Family, Ecology, Public Opinion, Quality of Life, Media, International Relations, Migration, Politics and Government, Religion, Social Structure, Victimization, Elections, Values. Users of the archive are national and international researchers, teachers and students who are literate in data and statistics. Data is often used as background material for teaching and practical exercises with students.
The FDV Publishing House has been in existence since 1996 and publishes scientific and professional publications and science journals linked to teaching and research activities of the faculty, as well as textbooks and other materials for students. It has its own bookshop at the faculty, which offers special discounts to students. The bookshop is located at the main entrance of the faculty. The books it publishes can also be bought in other bookshops in Slovenia or ordered online. The vision for the near future is to provide each available edition in both formats, paper and electronic. Digital books can also be bought at the iBookstore, while some are available for free downloading. Our publishing house was one of the first in Slovenia to enter digital publishing and the iBookstore. Every year over 30 new works are published within 24 book collections. The faculty journal Theory and Practice is also issued by the publishing house. Our publishing includes a wide range of works, from teaching materials for students through curriculum-oriented textbooks and e-resources, to the most specialized academic research outputs. We strive to maintain and extend our reputation for high quality and technological innovation to meet the needs of our customers, authors and readers.

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The longest running published interdisciplinary journal of social sciences in Slovenia is “Teorija in praksa”. The journal was founded by the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ljubljana, in 1964 and has been a central professional Slovenian publication in the field of political science, sociology, journalism and media studies, defence, communication and cultural studies. The journal is published at least twice a year in the English language.

The “Družboslovne razprave” journal, co-published with the Slovenian Sociological Association, was first published in 1984. It publishes articles in the Slovenian and English languages in the fields of sociology, media studies, political science, cultural studies and other studies, which are related to these fields. Four other co-published journals have shorter histories, but are also successfully included in various international bibliographical databases; “Advances in Methodology and Statistics”, “The Journal of Comparative Politics”, and most internationally recognized journals, also included in the Social Sciences Citation Index, “Javnost – The Public” and “The Journal of International Relations and Development”.

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Ljubljana – a beautiful place to live and study

Ljubljana is a city that will surprise you and exceed your expectations. It is unique – small in size, but huge in its hospitality and quality of life. On 275 m² you will find all the characteristics of big metropolises and at the same time, you will be fascinated by its greenery, cleanness, safety, and friendliness of its 287,000 residents. If you take a look over Ljubljana Castle’s viewing tower, you soon realize that you are surrounded by nature. Ljubljana echoes the surrounding nature, learns from it, but most of all respects it. Numerous changes have happened in a short period, which is one of the reasons Ljubljana has become European Green Capital 2016. This prestigious title from the European Commission is a great honour and the highest recognition of our efforts to reach the primary goal of ensuring a high quality of life for our citizens in a beautiful and healthy environment. The city centre, now open only to pedestrians and cyclists, is like a big living room and a cultural and social setting, while formed degraded areas have been transformed into numerous parks, green spaces and playgrounds, where citizens relax and socialize. Welcome to the city where green is at home.

Slovenia

Slovenia is a small and picturesque country and lies in the heart of Europe, where the Alps and the Pannonian plains meet the Mediterranean and the Karst. When in Slovenia, all of its many attractions are in the palm of your hand. It is just 240 km to the Slovenian border from Vienna, 230 km from Budapest, 400 km from Milan and 145 km from Venice.