

Sociology of war: ideological discourses, mobilization practices

The discipline is aimed at mastering the skills and abilities to analyse the causes, consequences and ways of resolving military conflicts, the use of special methods of their study. The discipline orients on the basic concepts, problems and theories that exist in the subject field of sociology of war, the study of political and scientific discourses, as well as mobilization practices of the phenomenon of war, empirical research methods in this field.

The main tasks of the credit module:

- to define the tasks of the sociology of war in the structure of modern sociological knowledge;
- to find out how sociology explains the essence and causes of war;
- to compare common and distinctive features of traditional and modern wars;
- to consider the evolution of mobilization practices from traditional to modern wars;
- to identify the features of the concept of hybrid warfare;
- to consider the discourses of hybrid warfare in the West, Ukraine and Russia;
- to consider the causes and possible ways to resolve the military conflict in Donbass, discussions around these issues in the academic and political spheres;
- to identify how elites and the masses are involved in the discourse of hybrid warfare in Ukraine;
- to identify the main ideological forms of patriotism as a mobilization practice, as well as its value modifications in the minds of Ukrainian youth;
- identification of factors that motivate / demotivate young people to take part in military mobilization (based on sociological research in Ukraine).

knowledge:

- theoretical concepts of studying wars;
- common and distinctive features of traditional and modern wars;
- methods of sociological analysis of military conflicts, their possibilities and limitations in wartime;
- ideological and mobilization practices of wars;
- ideological forms of patriotism;
- features of military conflict regulation.

skills:

- to compare the main sociological theories of war;
- to work with statistical data;
- to develop possible management approaches to resolving military conflicts;
- to use the knowledge and skills obtained in this discipline in professional activities.

