

V. N. Karazin Kharkiv National University

Kharkiv, Ukraine

Founded in 1804

One of Ukraine's oldest
classical universities

Research & Education

A multidisciplinary university
with a strong academic
tradition

EURIDICE consortium member

Contributing to international
digital education

Two elective courses for DIGISOC Master's students

Citizenship and Democratic Governance of Digital Technology

5 ECTS

150 HOURS

ONLINE

ENGLISH

An interdisciplinary and impact-oriented exploration of how digital technologies shape governance, democratic institutions, and civic participation.

MAIN TOPICS

Foundations of Digital Governance, Democracy and Digital Sovereignty

Media Literacy, Digital Disinformation, Online Behavior and Ethics

Cybersecurity, Blockchain and Digital Currencies: Implications for Democratic Governance

Cultural and Psychological Impacts of Digital Technology and Digital Wellbeing

Artificial Intelligence and Big Data in Public Policy and Democratic Decision-Making

Digital Empathy and Emotional Intelligence for Responsible Citizenship: Legal and Ethical Aspects of Digital Governance

E-Democracy, Civic Participation and Digital Citizenship

Group project & test

[Learn more about the course](#)

TEACHING & LEARNING

Interactive lectures
Breakout-room discussions
Collaborative group projects
Case-based learning

ASSESSMENT

Class participation • Group project • Examination (test)

SCHEDULE

Autumn:
Mondays, 14:00–17:15 CET
26 October–14 December 2026

Spring:
Mondays, 14:00–17:15 CET
15 March–3 May 2027

Social Communication in the Digital Age

5 ECTS

150 HOURS

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A critical overview of how social communication is being infiltrated by digitalization and digital experiences, developing into new processes, objects, and formats.

SELECTED TOPICS

Social Communication,
Digitalised

Who Is the I: Digital Selves
and Well-Being

Who Has the Power: Freedom
and Control in Digital Society

Who’s Got to Pay: Economy
of Communicative Inequality

Social Networks Offline
and Online

Who Goes There:
Algorithms and AI

Who Do We Hate Today: Radical
Positions and the Digital Space

Communication, Community,
and Resilience in Digital Society

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TEACHING & LEARNING

Online lectures and discussions
Case-study analysis
Observation and evidence-based research
Final online conferences with project presentations

ASSESSMENT

Class participation • Group project • Examination

SCHEDULE

20 October–10 December 2026
15:00–16:30 CET

Meet the Lecturers

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Thank you! We look forward to meeting you online.