Historical Sociology

The key theme is modernisation, with the assumption that modern society and modernisation processes are rooted in long-term history and are influenced by trends, traditions, and specific historical constellations. Other topics include issues of social change, globalisation trends, civilisation analysis, religious and cultural pluralism, or the formation of states and nations. The department works on research projects focusing on the issues of collective memory, national elites, Central Europe (in collaboration with the University of Cologne), and the Arab revolutions. The editors of Historická Sociologie journal (B. Šalanda, executive editor K. Soukalová) work at the department. The journal is on the list of reviewed journals in the Czech Republic, is included in scientific databases, and publishes texts in Czech and English.

Selected outputs