

Political participation in women's biographies on the example of local government.

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In the dissertation, the subject of the study was a subjective image of the social reality of women who act as councilors in the bodies constituting JST, and the aim was to recognize and presentation of the social world of councilors. The aim was to capture the specificity of this world and to present biographical experiences of the respondents both before crossing the border of this world and after becoming a member. The dissertation consists of three parts: theoretical, methodological and empirical, as well as introduction and conclusion. The indicated content is presented in nine chapters. The first four are theoretical. They contain considerations focused on the concept of "political participation", they also present the specificity of women's public activity and the determinants of women's political representation in local government. Theoretical considerations are crowned by a chapter in which the sociological paradigm constituting the foundation of the conducted research was presented, which made conflict theory and interaction theory. The methodological part presents the research problem taken up in the work, identified by the application of the biographical method in accordance with the assumptions of the concept of F. Schütze, which was considered the most appropriate approach for the undertaken scientific research. The next four chapters present an analysis and interpretation of the results of empirical research.

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