

***Inclusion/exclusion: a unit of the difference constitutive
of the social systems***

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Abstract:

Based in the theory of the autopoietic social systems, this article explores conceptual and methodological issues that sustain the idea of conceiving the inclusion and the exclusion as a unit: the unit of the difference inclusion/exclusion. Data on the operation of some social systems are added to this theoretical reference, and that allows to hold and argue about the inclusion/exclusion -weak and strong- that happens inside each system. This process permits to consider this unit of the difference as a constitutive part of the operation of the social systems. The foregoing acquires special relevance in the context of “new” conceptual and methodological principles, which contribute to explain and interpret the inclusion and the exclusion in the contemporary society from a different or alternative perspective. Under this conception, this article can be inserted in the ability to incorporate new theoretical, conceptual and methodological tools to analyze what happens in the today society.

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