Learning objectives

Learning conceptual and analytical tools for studying the ways knowledge underpinning public action is built, configured, certified and used, for both research and operational purposes (design, monitoring, evaluation).

Contents

a) Theories and research on: definition, classification and measurement of social phenomena; public action instruments, with regard to the cognitive dimension (both ideational and technical; expert knowledge and political choices;

b) Exercises on the analysis of public policies on social matters.

Detailed program

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Prerequisites

Mastery of theoretical knowledge and methodological basis and good skills in learning, writing and oral
communication.

Teaching methods

Lectures and classroom exercises.

Assessment methods

Written test

Textbooks and Reading Materials

(provisional list)


