



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Social Policies - A-L

1920-1-E1901R119-AL

Course title

POLITICHE SOCIALI

Topics and course structure

The Social Policy and the Welfare State:

- Definitions and concepts
- Historical Perspective
- Description and contextualization of the main keywords and phases of development of the Welfare State
- Theories for the analysis of the Welfare State
- Definition of the main empirical approaches
- Transformations of work and affect the policies
- Focus on the Italian case
- Size and demographic changes in family structures
- Models and welfare regimes
- Areas of intervention of social policies

- Key policies and key concepts
- Key areas of intervention of social policies

Objectives

The course aims to provide the conceptual and analytical tools necessary for the study of social policies. Starting from the analysis of the evolutionary dynamics that characterized the various stages of development of the European welfare state, the course will examine the specific characteristics of the most important social policies, paying particular attention to the Italian context and highlighting the crucial role played by some structural dimensions such as work and family. During the course are also planning some actions of practitioners and academics working within specific social policies in order to deepen the knowledge of the professional contexts in which graduates may work in education.

Methodologies

- Lectures
- Interventions of professionals and scholars in the field
- Reading and discussing of thematic articles.

Online and offline teaching materials

Programme and references for attending students

Maurizio Ferrera (a cura di), *Le politiche sociali*, Il Mulino – Terza edizione 2019.

Programme and references for non-attending students

Maurizio Ferrera (a cura di), *Le politiche sociali*, Il Mulino – Terza edizione 2019.

Pietro Ichino, *Il Lavoro ritrovato: come la riforma sta abbattendo il muro tra garantiti, precari e esclusi*, Mondadori, 2015

and 3 articles:

Simona Piattoni "Lo stile di policy del governo Renzi" (doi: 10.1483/82946). Rivista Italiana di Politiche Pubbliche (ISSN 1722-1137) Fascicolo 1, Aprile 2016. Il Mulino-Rivisteweb

Marcello Natili "Schemi regionali di reddito minimo tra sviluppi di policy e dinamiche di politics. I casi di Friuli Venezia Giulia e Lazio" (doi: 10.1483/82950). Rivista Italiana di Politiche Pubbliche (ISSN: 1722-1137). Fascicolo 1, Aprile 2016. Il Mulino-Rivisteweb

Maurizio Ferrera "In mezzo al guado. Lo stil novo di Renzi e le politiche per il lungo periodo" (doi: 10.1483/82948). Rivista Italiana di Politiche Pubbliche (ISSN: 1722-1137). Fascicolo 1, Aprile 2016. Il Mulino-Rivisteweb.

Assessment methods

For attending students: specific activities during the course including writing texts from assigned materials (short paper) and collective discussion. An evaluation element will be the mastery of sociological lexicon, as well as the ability to rework and support various sociological paradigms and political perspectives.

For not attending students: the exam will be written (open questions) and will focus on the texts listed in the bibliography. The students will choose 4 questions to be answered in a concise and comprehensive way within a shortlist of 6/8 proposed questions. The duration of the test is two hours. An evaluation element will be the mastery of sociological lexicon, as well as the ability to rework and support various sociological paradigms and political perspectives.

Office hours

On appointment.

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Programme validity

2 academic years

Course tutors and assistants
