

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# **SYLLABUS DEL CORSO**

# Sistemi di Solidarietà Familiare

2021-1-F8701N068-F8701N050M

## Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding:

The aim of the course is to acquire tools for the sociological analysis of families, gender and intergenerational relationships, and the intertwining of these dimensions and welfare systems.

Applying knowledge and understanding:

The knowledge of conceptual categories and the ability to read qualitative and quantitative data will serve to understand family changes, vulnerabilities and conflicts in the near future and to deconstruct the stereotypes related to these dimensions.

Communication skills:

Great importance is also given to the development of communication skills, providing moments of exposure by attending students.

#### **Contents**

The aim of the course is to introduce the theme of welfare starting from families and parental structures. Space will be given to the concepts of solidarity and family vulnerability.

## **Detailed program**

In general this course aims to strengthen a critical, analytical and interpretative view of social phenomena capable of being "gender sensitive" and intersectional. The critical capacity will be trained on the phenomenologies of generational and gender relationships in the families.

We will firstly analysing the contemporary sociological thought on family relationships; secondly we will take into consideration the different dimensions (demographic, economic, historical, political and cultural) that have transformed family structures as well as intimacy, care, solidarity and vulnerability.

In detail we will address the following issues:

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## **Prerequisites**

There are no preliminary requirements for the course.

### **Teaching methods**

We will have:

- frontal lessons
- · classroom discussions
- in-depth presentations by students.

During the Covid-19 emergency lessons will be done both, in presence and recorded.

#### **Assessment methods**

Written (3 open-ended questions).

Attending students: paper presentations and/or research assignment.

Exams have the aim of ascertaining the understanding of the dynamics of family changes, as well as the ability to consult and read qualitative and quantitative data and to use bibliographic materials.

During the Covid-19 pandemic the exam will be only in oral form on the Webex platform.

## **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

## Attending students:

Naldini, M. (a cura di) (2015) La Transizione alla genitorialità. Da Coppie moderne a famiglie tradizionali, Bologna, Mulino.

Ambrosini, M. (2019) Famiglie nonostante. Come gli affetti sfidano i confini, Bologna, Mulino.

## Non attending students:

Naldini, M. (a cura di) (2015) La Transizione alla genitorialità. Da Coppie moderne a famiglie tradizionali, Bologna, il Mulino

Ambrosini, M. (2019) Famiglie nonostante. Come gli affetti sfidano i confini, Bologna, Mulino.

Saraceno, C. (2017) L'equivoco della famiglia, Bari, Laterza.

#### **Erasmus students:**

Brannen J. Social Research Matters: A Life in Family Sociology. Bristol: Bristol University Press; 2019.