UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Local Welfare Systems

2324-2-F8701N055

Learning objectives

The course aims at analyzing the features and the changing dynamics of local welfare systems, by focusing on their evolution over time, their institutionalization process and their actors (i.e. public administrations, citizens, third sector organizations, movements, trade unions, informal groups, profit organizations). The main issues and challenges of the ongoing evolution of the Italian welfare will be presented and discussed.

Contents

- The social, economic, cultural and political contexts of the welfare development

- The institutional dimension of social policies

- The territorial turn

- Subsidiarity and public sphere

- From the bureaucratic State to the New Public Management

- Instruments and practices of welfare governance

- The Lombard Welfare

- Welfare and the crisis

- Governance and third sector

- Third sector and civil society: theories and approaches

- Places and culture in third sector organizations

- The new role of philanthropy

- Bank foundations and the local welfare

- Social innovation

Detailed program

The first part of the course will present the configurations of the Italian model of local welfare, including comparisons with other countries: its political and normative elements, its policy instruments and the governance models developed in the last thirty years, with a special attention to the Lombard context.

The second part of the course will focus on institutional and social actors in local welfare systems, their approaches to public action and the relationships they have developed over the years.

Attending students will have the opportunity to practice learning by participating to working groups, analyzing documents and audiovisual products, lectures with guests from the fieldwork.

Prerequisites

Teaching methods

Classes will be both lectures and workshops. Local welfar actors such as public administration official, third sector workers and trade union actors.

The lectures will be held in Italian

Assessment methods

The exam will have two modes, both of which are mandatory: a case study paper (50 percent) and an oral exam (50 percent). The term paper will be on an original paper of 5-10 folders (15,000 to 40,000 characters) on a topic or real case of local governance, analyzed according to the categories presented in the exam texts. Students will receive further instructions on the course website and agree on the topic of the paper with the lecturer.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

****Readings: The final list will be announced at the beginning of the course.**

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Gori, C. (2020) Più servizi e meno regolazione. Il welfare lombardo nella longue durée. *Social Policies*, 7(3), 375-396.

Ambrosini, M., & Campomori, F. (2020) La controversia dell'asilo: politiche di accoglienza e solidarietà contro i confini. *Social Policies*, 7(2), 181-200.

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