



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Pedagogy of Disability

2324-3-E1901R130

Course title

Education of disability

Topics and course structure

- The diachronic and cultural dimension of disability
- The current development of Special Education
- The main national and international documents on disability policies
- Impairment ("deficit"), handicap and disability
- School insertion, integration, inclusion
- SEN - Special Educational Needs
- The role of the professional socio-pedagogical educator for inclusion
- Family educational relationships
- The main models of *care* ("presa in carico") of families
- The nursery service and children with disabilities
- Project of life
- The assumptions of inclusive education and its methodologies

Objectives

- Knowledge and understanding

By the end of the course the student will have to reach knowledge and understanding on:

The diachronic development of Special Education and the main approaches to disability
The main national and international documents on disability policies
Use the proper terminology of Special Education
The educational needs of children, young people and adults with disability;
How to read into the family educational relationships, with specific reference to the situations of disability
The main methodologies to design an inclusive educational context

- Ability to relate differentiated knowledge and models

By the end of the course the student will be able to:

Recognise and apply the inclusive education principles, with particular reference to the professional profile of the *Educator*

- Ability to apply knowledge and models

Design inclusive paths, addressed to both people with disabilities and parents; implement strategies in order to promote a significant relationship between educators and children and to foster both family-school and family-school-environment alliances

Methodologies

The lectures include not only frontal lessons, but also case study analysis and/or videos and meetings with experts and/or privileged witnesses.

Online and offline teaching materials

Slide, case study analysis, video, expert testimony

Programme and references

Two basic texts:

Cottini L. (2021). *Didattica speciale per l'educatore socio-pedagogico*. Roma: Carocci.

Cinotti A. (2021). *Sorelle e fratelli nella disabilità. Dimensioni esistenziali e scenari educativi*. Brescia: Scholè.

Two monothematic texts:

Bulgarelli D. (2018). *Nido inclusivo e bambini con disabilità. Favorire e supportare il gioco e la comunicazione*. Trento: Erickson.

Lepri C. (2011). *Viaggiatori inattesi. Appunti sull'integrazione sociale delle persone disabili*. Milano: FrancoAngeli.

Assessment methods

- Modality A: 6 open questions (short essay questions, in a defined space - 10/15 lines - for each question), related to the basic and mono-thematic exam texts and the contents learned during the cours. The proof will last 2 hours.
- Modality B: 6 open questions (short essay questions, in a defined space - 10/15 lines - for each question), related to the basic and mono-thematic exam texts.
The proof will last 2 hours.

The first four questions is essentially aimed to assessing the knowledge of the contents in the texts (and lcontents learned during the cours - only for madality A); and the last two questions verify the critical-reflexive ability of the student with reference to the subjects of the discipline, as well as the ability to apply theoretical knowledge to practice.

- Final evaluation
- The parameters of the evaluation are the following: the completeness and congruence of the answers, the discursively organized knowledge, the adequacy of the vocabulary used, the completeness and feasibility of the project proposal (for attenfing students); reference to the plurality of bibliographic sources; the critical revision of the themes dealt with (the test will be argumentative and not summarizing).
- Other information

- In order to keep up to date with the various aspects of the course, students are invited not only to register on the course's Moodle page (a.y. 2023/24), but also to consult the "notices" section periodically.

- During the first lesson, the teacher will explain the programme in detail and in depth, as well as all the elements in the Syllabus.

ERASMUS STUDENTS

Erasmus students can arrange a bibliography in English with the teacher. Please, contact the teacher in order to state references and assessment methods.

Office hours

The office hours is specified on the teacher's personal page on the website of the Department of Human Sciences for Education.

Programme validity

Programme validity: two academic years

Course tutors and assistants

Dott.sse Clara Cavinato, Francesca Bassi e Alessia Lusardi and dott. Natanaele Sustovich (Assistants)

Sustainable Development Goals

QUALITY EDUCATION
