

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

# **Intercultural Pedagogy**

2526-2-F5103P093

# Learning area

Typical development and educational contexts

## Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding

- Knowledge of the orientations of intercultural psychopedagogy and psychoeducational interventions in multicultural contexts.
- Knowledge of the methodological perspectives for verifying the effectiveness of programs aimed at promoting social understanding skills in educational and multicultural contexts.
- Knowledge of useful tools for psychopedagogical work in educational contexts. Applied knowledge and understanding
- use of psychopedagogical tools to observe and understand educational contexts and monitor the changes promoted;
- use of psychopedagogical tools to observe and understand children from different cultures;
- refinement of critical and argumentative skills expressed with adequate scientific language Making judgments
- ability to critically reflect on the contents covered in the course, through moments of discussion in the class group
  - Communication skills
- ability to present the contents covered through presentations in the classroom relating to agreed experiences (for example, administration of tools, brief implementations of programs)
   Learning skills
- ability to deepen and continue the study independently, using the ideas provided in class (reference to videos, webinars, books, articles)

#### **Contents**

The course is divided into two parts.

#### The first part of the course concerns:

- understanding educational contexts, in their historical and legislative evolution, with particular attention to nursery and kindergarten and primary school, to the pedagogical theme of educational continuity 0-6, and to the themes of intercultural pedagogy;
- the in-depth study of work in educational contexts, from the perspective of intercultural pedagogy.

#### The second part of the course concerns:

- the development of 'social understanding' and 'socio-emotional competence' in reference to cultural diversity;
- evidence-based educational intervention programs, with particular attention to those developed by the Lab-PSE laboratory (www.labpse.it) in national and international research contexts, to promote and support the development of social understanding and social and emotional skills in multicultural contexts.

# **Detailed program**

## Part I

- 1. the birth of educational institutions for children: a historical perspective
- 2. the birth of educational and scholastic institutions: pedagogy and educational psychology in dialogue
- 3. the principles of intercultural pedagogy
- 4. themes of intercultural pedagogy: citizenship, neo-racisms, identity construction

#### Part II

- 1. social understanding as a theory of mind
- 2. social understanding as an understanding of emotions
- 3. socio-emotional competence and social and emotional learning (SEL) in a cultural perspective
- 4. research-intervention projects in multicultural educational and school contexts
  - -programs and tools for the promotion of prosociality
    -programs and tools for the promotion of socio-emotional competences

## **Prerequisites**

Basic knowledge of Developmental Psychology and Educational Psychology.

## **Teaching methods**

Frontal teaching in presence and in Italian language; use of slides, videos, tools of research, presentation of

validated programs for the psycho-pedagogical intervention.

#### **Assessment methods**

Written test; 3 open questions (10 point for each question).

For students who request it, an oral integration exam can be scheduled.

The evaluation criteria are: language property and accuracy, knowledge of the topics, personal elaboration of the contents, connections between the different topics, critical and reflective ability.

# **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

- 1. Agliati, A., Grazzani, I., Ornaghi, V. (2015). La socializzazione emotiva nei contesti educativi per l'infanzia. Conversare sulle emozioni al nido, Parma: Edizioni Junior Spaggiari.
- 2. Santerini, M. (2017). Da stranieri a cittadini. Educazione interculturale e mondo globale. Milano: Mondadori Università.
- 3. Un testo a scelta tra i seguenti:
- Ornaghi, V., Grazzani, I. (2020). Lo sviluppo della comprensione sociale nei bambini. Un laboratorio sui giochi linguistici per promuovere la teoria della mente e la comprensione delle emozioni. Parma: Edizioni Junior Spaggiari
- Giusti M. (2021). Teorie e metodi di pedagogia interculturale. Bari: Laterza.
  - Rogoff R. (2006). La natura culturale dello sviluppo. Raffaello Cortina.
  - o Anolli L. (2011). La sfida della mente multiculturale. Raffaello Cortina (quattro capitoli a scelta).
  - o Granata A. (2011). Sono qui da una vita. Dialogo aperto con le seconde generazioni. Carocci
  - Granata A. (2016). Pedagogia della diversità. Come sopravvivere un anno in una classe interculturale. Carocci.

Supplementary materials will be made available on the platform during the course: scientific papers, research documents, videos, research tools, and thematic handouts. Knowledge about these materials will be evaluated.

#### **Sustainable Development Goals**

NO POVERTY | GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING | QUALITY EDUCATION | REDUCED INEQUALITIES