



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

### Scienza delle Finanze - A-L

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#### Learning objectives

“Public finance” is the first economic course for undergraduate students in Law, as well as the only compulsory one.

The course explores the most relevant aspects of modern public finance and analytically addresses topical issues. The aim is to provide students with the necessary tools to interpret and understand the meaning, the problems, and the potential of the role of the state in the modern economy.

At the end of the course, students:

will know and will be able to understand the fundamental aspects and problems concerning the economic role of the state;

on the basis of this knowledge, will be able to analyse and discuss the main characteristics of a tax system; will be able to compare the temporal evolution of national tax systems and make comparisons in an international context;

will be able to assess the effects of reforms, in particular for taxation, pension systems and fiscal federalism;

will be able to present the results of their analyses and contribute to the debate on the most topical issues relating to the public economy;

will be able to independently address the study of the topics covered by the course, as well as those related to it;

finally, will also be able to assess the effects of legal regulations and choices, whether of private, commercial, fiscal or constitutional law, on the economic well-being of society.

All the other economic and quantitative courses (e.g.: “Political Economy”, “Economic Policy”, “Statistics”) will allow students to resume, expand and deepen the concepts and notions acquired by during the “Public finance” course.

Attendance, although not compulsory, is nevertheless strongly recommended.

#### Contents

1. Introduction to the course (1h)
2. Introduction to microeconomics (4h)
3. Introduction to macroeconomics (2h)
4. Welfare economics and market failures (12h)
5. The theory of public choice (12h)
6. Public spending and state budget (5h)
7. Pensions (12h)
8. Fiscal federalism (12h)
9. Tax theory (12h)

## **Detailed program**

## **Prerequisites**

## **Teaching methods**

## **Assessment methods**

## **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

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