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Public Management and Public Administration

Academic Year: (2019 / 2020) Review date: 18-05-2020

Department assigned to the subject: Social Sciences Department

Coordinating teacher: NATERA PERAL, ANTONIO

Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 2 Semester: 2

OBJECTIVES

- To handle accurately the concepts relating to the structures and administrative actors.
- To appreciate the close link that exists between the field of politics and public administration, as well as between the analysis and the professional practice.
- To note the transit of the bureaucratic model of management towards a managerial model and this towards the model of governance in the context of the recent transformations of the State and public administration.
- To understand the basic elements that make up the design of public organizations from the point of view of its structure.
- To perceive the role of organizational culture -and the world of values in general- about the behaviour of the political and administrative actors.
- To understand the dynamics of power, conflict and political management in the administrative settings.
- To use the comparative method to learn about the Spanish political and administrative system through its contrast with other systems.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- 1. Political System and Public Administration.
- 2. Key factors in designing public administration structures. Spanish administrative system as an example of structural complexity.
- 3. The evolution of public management. Bureaucratic model, new public management and public governance.
- 4. Strategies and instruments for the improvement of public management. Excellence and quality management models in public services.
- 5. Conflict, interests and power networks in public administrations. Political power and bureaucratic power. Public managers as political managers. Leadership and innovation in public sector.
- 6. Public values and organizational culture. Culture and organizational change. Motivation in public sector.
- 7. Public sector models and comparative public management.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

Continuous assessment: text analysis, case studies, individual or in-group research papers and/or oral presentations, short essays, in-class debates, etc.

Tutorial sessions: individual on the established schedule.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

FINAL EXAM: 60% of the grade. A minimum of 50% must be obtained to pass the subject.

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT: 40% of the grade.

Attendance and participation in practical and theoretical sessions will be assessed positively

% end-of-term-examination: 60

% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals...):

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- KUHLMANN, S.; WOLLMANN, H. (2019), Introduction to Comparative Public Administration. Administrative Systems and Reforms in Europe. Elgar Publishing ., ., .
- POLLIT, C.; BOUCKAERT, G. (2017), Public Management Reform A Comparative Analysis. Oxford Univ. Press, 4th edition
- SHAFRITZ, J. M.; RUSSELL, E.W.; BORICK, C.P.; HYDE, A.C. (2016), Introducing Public Administration. Routledge, 9th Edition ., ., .

ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- JOYCE, P. (2015), Strategic Management in the Public Sector. Routledge ., ., .
- KLIJN, E.; KOPPENJAN, J. (2015), Governance Networks in the Public Sector. Routledge.,.,.
- PERRY, J.L. (1996), Handbook of Public Administration. Jossey-Bass., ., .
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- VAN DE WALLE, S.; GROENEVELD, S. (2018), Theory and Practice of Public Sector Reform. Routledge.,.,.