

Social policy and welfare state

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Department assigned to the subject: Social Analysis Department

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Type: Electives ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : Semester :

OBJECTIVES

- 1) Ability to manage relevant information.
- 2) Critical thinking.
- 3) Ethical commitment.
- 4) Organizational and planning capacities.
- 5) Work in an interdisciplinary team.
- 6) Ability to identify, locate and contact the target population for social integration.
- 7) Ability to identify and measure factors of social vulnerability and conflicting processes.
- 8) Ability to contribute to the design of public policies to address social problems.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

SUBJECT 1: INTRODUCTION: CONCEPTUALIZATION ON SOCIAL POLICY AND WELFARE

What is Social Policy?: Objectives, criteria, achievements and limitations. Addressing concepts related to Social Policy and Welfare.

SUBJECT 2: PRECEDENTS AND HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE WELFARE STATE

Inception and historical development of the Welfare State: concepts, approaches, stages and models. Changes in social structure: threats and challenges for the Welfare State.

SUBJECT 3: SOCIAL POLICY IN SPAIN.

Evolution and Development of Social Policy and Welfare State in Spain.

Old and new policies. Sectorial and transversal policies: scopes and limitations. Social policies in recent decades. Territorial decentralization of social policies. Actors involved in public policy.

SUBJECT 4: EMPLOYMENT POLICIES AND MAINTENANCE OF INCOME.

Social policy, labor market and employment, public pensions system and benefits and income security policies.

SUBJECT 5: HEALTH POLICY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

National health system in Spain and its development.

Social services and social assistance in Spain.

Dependency Law.

SUBJECT 6: EDUCATION AND HOUSING POLICIES.

The educational system in Spain: development and legislative changes.

The system of provision and access to houses in Spain.

SUBJECT 7: OTHER SOCIAL INCLUSION POLICIES AND EXTENSION OF RIGHTS.

New approaches based on cross-cutting principles: equal opportunities, reconciliation, anti-discrimination, immigration

... Governance and networking in the field of social policies and the fight against poverty and exclusion.

Regional and participatory policies: levels and actors. Participatory budgeting and Community Plans.

Work-life balance Policy and Policies for family-support.

Basic Income.

SUBJECT 8: SOCIAL POLICY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

The European process and the multilevel system of European social protection: supranational, state and sub-state levels.

European guidelines and recommendations for social policies. The Lisbon Strategy and the European

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

ECTS credits are divided in two blocks of three credits. Each of these blocks are assigned either in theoretical lectures or in practical exercises. The theoretical lessons will be supported by personal assistant by the lecturer using participatory tools to facilitate the exposition with overhead projector. The practical exercises break into two different types:

Firstly with classroom practices which will be submitted at the end of each topic. These classroom practices will be supported by relevant readings, newspaper articles, legal texts, documentaries or movies.

The second type consists on a research teamwork based on the analysis of a social policy. The team will be formed by 3 students; research methodology will be discussed at the beginning of the course. The teams will have frequent tutorials with the lecturer. The work will be submitted at the end of the course after its exposition in the classroom.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

In correspondence with the organization of course, the evaluation is divided into two separate blocks. The theoretical part is evaluated through a final exam which represents 40% of the final grade. The other 60% is the practical part of the subject and the score is distributed as follows:

3 points for classroom exercises which are related to the different topics.

3 points for the research teamwork and classroom exposition..

Concerning the extraordinary call, the grade of the continuous assessment process is kept if the student had followed it, otherwise, he/she is entitled to an exam with a value of 100% of the grade.

% end-of-term-examination:	40
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals...):	60

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