# uc3m Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

### Ageing Sociology

Academic Year: (2023 / 2024) Review date: 27-04-2023

Department assigned to the subject: Social Sciences Department

Coordinating teacher: VALIENTE FERNANDEZ, CELIA

Type: Electives ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 5 Semester: 1

## **OBJECTIVES**

In this course, students will acquire the following general skills:

- to analyze critically
- to work in teams
- to think globally

In this course, students will acquire the following specific skills:

- to analyze old age from a sociological and comparative perspective
- to identify problems related to old age.
- to propose public policies to improve the status of old people

#### **DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME**

- 1. Introduction to sociology of of age
- 2. Theories of old age; methods to study old age.
- 3. Old age: history, demography.
- 4. Retirement and other labor-market aspects of old age
- 5. Gender and old age.
- 6. Active old age: Leisure, service and participation in politics
- 7. Old age and dependency.
- 8. Old age and families.
- 9. Public policies towards old age
- 10. Social and political actors related to old age.

#### ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

- Assistance to class and participation: 10% of the final grade.
- Mid-term exercise: 45% of final grade.
- Final exam: 45% of the final grade.

% end-of-term-examination: 45 % of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 55

#### **BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY**

- Richard A. Settersten, Jr., and Jacqueline L. Angel, eds. Handbook of sociology of aging, Springer, 2011