

Syllabus

Course description

Course title	Theory and Research in Social Work
Course code	53128
Scientific sector	SPS/07
Degree	Master in Innovation and Research for Social Work and Social Education
Semester	1st
Course year	1st
Credits	12
Modular	Yes

Total lecturing hours	60
Total lab hours	15
Attendance	according to the regulation
Prerequisites	

Specific educational objectives	<p>This course has a double aim: on the one hand provides the students with fundamental knowledge and understanding from a sociological perspective in order to be able to widen contextualization of social profession issues; on the other hand it aims at fostering the capabilities to understand the role played by institutional, cultural, economic and political factors as potential origins of social problems from a critical perspective. The scientific area of this course is General Sociology. The course gives a general overview of scientific contents but is also designed for acquiring skills and knowledge in order to face professional issues.</p>
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Module 1	Social Work and Social Theory
Lecturer	<i>Riccioni Ilaria</i>
Scientific sector of the lecturer	SPS/07
Teaching language	English
Office hours	18 (before or after the lectures; or on request)
List of topics covered	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Classic and contemporary social theories; 2) The relation between social theory, research and social professions; 3) Why social professions need social theory and how it can be applied; 4) From social profession to social theory, a reciprocal relation for understanding social reality and its change; 5) Social change and grounded theory; 6) From social research to effective tools for social professions.
Teaching format	14 h Frontal lectures (4 lectures), 8h video + 8h e-tivity (monitoring, exercises, projects, etc.)
Total lecturing/lab hours	30
Credits	6

Modulo 2	Produzione e applicazione della conoscenza nel lavoro sociale
Docente	<i>Accorinti Marco</i>

Settore scientifico disciplinare del docente	SPS/07
Lingua ufficiale del corso	Italiano
Orario di ricevimento	18 (dal lunedì al venerdì previo appuntamento)
Lista degli argomenti trattati	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. La conoscenza delle politiche e degli interventi sociali: le radici storiche del dibattito 2. Lavoro con le persone e metodo scientifico: un rapporto difficile 3. Tratti distintivi della ricerca nel campo degli interventi sociali: la questione della partecipazione nella produzione di informazione e conoscenza 4. Il disegno di ricerca: dai problemi emergenti alla definizione di ambiti di ricerca rilevanti 5. Costruzione degli strumenti, definizione del contesto di ricerca, rilevazione, analisi ed elaborazione dei dati 6. La relazione tra ricerca e pratiche: decidere e progettare con molteplici fonti di conoscenza
Attività didattiche previste	<p>4 lezioni in presenza per un totale di 14 ore in sincrono</p> <p>8 video di un'ora</p> <p>8 ore di e-tivity (monitoraggio + feedback + video call) generali per la classe e per gruppi.</p>
Totale di ore di lezione/ laboratorio	30
Crediti formativi	6

Modul 3	Wissenschaft und ihre kritische Anwendung in der sozialen Arbeit (Lab.)
Dozent	<i>Nagy Andrea</i>
Wissenschaftlich-disziplinärer Bereich	SPS/07
Unterrichtssprache	Deutsch
Sprechstunden	9 (von Montag bis Freitag auf Anfrage)
Auflistung der behandelten Themen	<p>Übung zu folgenden Themen im Rahmen Partizipativer Praxisforschung Sozialer Arbeit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ein Praxisproblem in eine Forschungsfrage verwandeln - Stakeholder identifizieren, die involviert werden sollten - Forschungsmethoden - Forschungsstrategien, Datensammlung, Ethische Fragen - Dissemination im Sinne der Weiterentwicklung der Praxis
Unterrichtsform	<i>Vorlesungen, Übungen, Laboratorien, Projekte, etc.</i>
Gesamtanzahl Vorlesungsstunden/ Laboratoriumsstunden	15
Kreditpunkte	3

Learning outcomes	<i>The learning outcomes:</i>
(The learning outcomes need to be arranged and defined among the lecturers of all modules. The coordinator of the modules is responsible for the provided data.)	<p><i>Knowledge and understanding</i> of key concepts of sociology for social professions;</p> <p><i>Applying knowledge and understanding</i> approaching and using available evidence in social interventions with a critical perspective;</p>

	<p><i>Making judgments</i> through argumentations of the choices in everyday social practices and its impact on social relations;</p> <p><i>Communication skills such as argumentation of choices and interconnections of social perspectives in an own project;</i></p> <p>Learning skills such as the ability to use critically different sources of knowledge and critically use it in the different area of intervention.</p>
<p>Assessment</p> <p>(The assessment needs to be arranged and defined among the lecturers of all modules. The coordinator of the modules is responsible for the provided data.)</p>	<p><i>Written exam –project work (written project work done in groups/project work with application/project work) with a final oral presentation and intermediary assessments on the lectures.</i></p> <p>Scritto – Elaborato di gruppo in forma di project work, presentazione e discussione orale finale. Lavori intermedi di valutazione sugli argomenti del corso.</p>
<p>Assessment language</p>	<p>English and Italian</p>
<p>Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks</p> <p>(The evaluation criteria need to be arranged and defined among the lecturers of all modules. The coordinator of the modules is responsible for the provided data.)</p>	<p>Final mark</p> <p>Relevant for the written exam will be the ability to evaluate, logical structure, ability to argue, accuracy, and connections with the topics of the course.</p> <p>The final oral presentation will be evaluated by the ability to evaluate, ability to argue, critical analysis skills, ability to summarize in own words, reflectivity. The final note will be the outcome of the intermediary assessments and the final project presented</p> <p>Media tra lavori intermedi ed elaborato di gruppo in forma di project work.</p>
<p>Required readings</p>	<p>Fargion, S. (2009) <i>Il Servizio Sociale: Storia, Temi e Dibattiti</i>, Laterza, Bari.</p> <p>Silvia Fargion (2019) <i>Il metodo del servizio sociale</i>, Carocci, Roma.</p> <p>Thorpe C. (2018) <i>Social Theory for Social Work. Ideas and Applications</i>, New York: Routledge.</p>
<p>Supplementary readings</p>	<p>In due course</p>