Course description

Course title	Introduction to social work and social policy
Course code	51074
Scientific sector	SPS/07
Degree	Bachelor in Social Work
Semester	1
Course year	1
Credits	12
Modular	*Yes*

Total lecturing hours	90
Total lab hours	-
Attendance	according to the regulation
Prerequisites	-

Specific educational objectives	

Module 1	Social work theories, principles and ethics
Lecturers	(a) Nothdurfter Urban (30 ore in lingua italiana) (b) Walter Lorenz (15 hours in English)
Scientific sector of the lecturer	SPS/07
Teaching language	Italiano (a) English (b)
Office hours	From Tuesday to Friday on request
List of topics covered	
Teaching format	
Total lecturing/lab hours	*45*
Credits	*6*

Learning outcomes Module 1 b	**Knowledge and understanding**: Understanding of the normative implications of social work interventions on the basis or the social construction of social problems and of tools for making professional decisions **Applying knowledge and understanding:** Students will be expected to apply this theoretical knowledge to typical situations of social service work. **Making judgements:** Based on a review of various normative layers impinging on professional decision-making the outlines of positions will form instruments for critical abilities in making professional judgements **Lifelong learning skills:** Students will become more familiar with current normative and ethical dilemmas and ways of confronting them constructively

Required reading 1b	Banks, Sarah, and Nohr, Kirsten. *Practising Social Work Ethics around the World : Cases and Commentaries*. London [etc.: Routledge, 2012. Banks, Sarah. *Ethics and Values in Social Work*. 3. Ed., 7.

	[reprint.]. ed. Houndmills [etc.: Palgrave Macmillan, 2009
	Gray, Mel, and Webb, Stephen A. *Ethics and Value Perspectives in Social Work*. 1. Publ.. ed. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010
Supplementary reading 1b	Beckett, Chris, and Maynard, Andrew. *Values and Ethics in Social Work*. 2.nd ed. Los Angeles: SAGE, 2013
	Carey, Malcolm, and Mazerolle, Lorraine Green. *Practical Social Work Ethics : Complex Dilemmas within Applied Social Care*. Farnham, Surrey: Ashgate, 2013.
	Noerr, Gunzelin Schmid, and Rudolf Bieker. *Ethik in Der Sozialen Arbeit*. Stuttgart: Kohlhammer Verlag, 2013. Web.
	Reamer, Frederic G. *The Social Work Ethics Casebook : Cases and Commentary*. Washington, DC: Nasw, 2009.

Module 2	Social Policy
Lecturer	Walter Lorenz
Scientific sector of the lecturer	SPS/07
Teaching language	English
Office hours	From Tuesday to Friday on request
List of topics covered	
Teaching format	*Lecture with discussion*
Total lecturing/lab hours	*45*
Credits	*6*

Learning outcomes for Module 2	**Knowledge and understanding**: Understanding of the necessity of social policy measures for the functioning of modern complex societies, knowledge of the origins, principles and major forms of social policy regimes including the modifications being implemented presently in various European contexts, knowledge of the basic social policy provisions in the Province of Südtirol
	Applying knowledge and understanding: Students will be expected to apply this theoretical knowledge to the major social provisions and services they will encounter as social workers.
	Making judgements: Based on the alternative models of "welfare regime positions" students will be able to assess in broad outline the consequences of current social policy trends for the well-being of service users and society as a whole.

	Communication: Students will be able to present the knowledge acquired in seminar presentations on practice-relevant topics and communicate clearly the principles underlying the presented situations or service aspects. **Lifelong learning skills:** The knowledge and evaluation criteria learned in this module will enable students to locate their own life cycle and social protection needs within various framework conditions of social policy.

Assessment	Seminar presentations with written documentation will be the principle basis for assessment, followed by an oral exam that covers major themes of the module
Assessment language	Italiano English
Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks	• Knowledge of extant literature relevant to the chosen topic; • Application of theoretical material to the specific practice example chosen, including a well-founded critique of scenario; • Clarity of the presentation, logical sequence, demonstration of analytical skills; • Ability to respond meaningfully and reflectively to questions.

Required readings MODULE 2	Dickens, Jonathan. *Social Work and Social Policy: An Introduction*. Routledge Taylor & Francis Group, 2009 Drake, Robert F. *The Principles of Social Policy*. 1. Publ.. ed. Basingstoke [etc.: Palgrave, 2001 Esping-Andersen, Gøsta. *The Three Worlds of Welfare Capitalism*. 1. Publ., Repr.. ed. Cambridge: Polity, 1996. Leibfried, Stephan, and Mau, Steffen. *Welfare States : Construction, Deconstruction, Reconstruction 2. Varieties and Transformations*. Cheltenham MS 6500 L525 -2
Supplementary readings	Esping-Andersen, Gøsta, and Gallie, Duncan. *Why We Need a New Welfare State*. 1. Publ., Reprint.. ed. Oxford: Oxford UP, 2003 Kaufmann, Franz-Xaver. *Thinking About Social Policy : The German Tradition* (2013). Jones Finer, Catherine. *Transnational Social Policy*.

	OXFORD: Blackwell, 1999
	Simpson, Graeme, and Connor, Stuart. *Social Policy for Social Welfare Professionals : Tools for Understanding, Analysis and Engagement*. 1. Publ.. ed. Portland: Policy, 2011.
	Taylor-Gooby, Peter. *Making a European Welfare State? : Convergences and Conflicts over European Social Policy*. Reprinted. ed. Oxford: Blackwell, 2005.
	Taylor-Gooby, Peter., Leruth, Benjamin. Editor, SpringerLink, and Springer-Verlag. SpringerLink. *Attitudes, Aspirations and Welfare : Social Policy Directions in Uncertain Times* (2018).
	Zacher, Hans F. *Social Policy in the Federal Republic of Germany : The Constitution of the Social* (2013).