

GENERAL

SCHOOL	Social Sciences		
ACADEMIC UNIT	Sociology		
LEVEL OF STUDIES	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	POLK 265	SEMESTER	5th/6th
COURSE TITLE	SOCIAL POLICY AND WELFARE STATE		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES <i>if credits are awarded for separate components of the course, e.g. lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If the credits are awarded for the whole of the course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits</i>		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	CREDITS
		3	5
<i>Add rows if necessary. The organisation of teaching and the teaching methods used are described in detail at (d).</i>			
COURSE TYPE <i>general background, special background, specialised general knowledge, skills development</i>	Special Background		
PREREQUISITE COURSES:	https://student.cc.uoc.gr/main.asp		
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS:	GREEK		
IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	YES		
COURSE WEBSITE (URL)	Elearn platform		

(1) LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning outcomes
<i>The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level, which the students will acquire with the successful completion of the course are described.</i>
<i>Consult Appendix A</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Description of the level of learning outcomes for each qualifications cycle, according to the Qualifications Framework of the European Higher Education Area 1 Descriptors for Levels 6, 7 & 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and Appendix B 1 Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Students will acquire knowledge of the relevant literature on the welfare state as well as on recent developments in social policy areas. 2. They will be able to define and categorize social policies on the basis of the knowledge they have acquired. 3. They will be able to assess the different approaches studied and evaluate their appropriateness to analyze social phenomena. 4. They will be in a position to utilize the knowledge they have acquired to critically assess and analyse social problems and proposed policies.

General Competences <i>Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma Supplement and appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?</i>	
<i>Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology</i> <i>Adapting to new situations</i> <i>Decision-making</i> <i>Working independently</i> <i>Team work</i> <i>Working in an international environment</i> <i>Working in an interdisciplinary environment</i> <i>Production of new research ideas</i>	<i>Project planning and management</i> <i>Respect for difference and multiculturalism</i> <i>Respect for the natural environment</i> <i>Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues</i> <i>Criticism and self-criticism</i> <i>Production of free, creative and inductive thinking</i> <i>.....</i> <i>Others...</i> <i>.....</i>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be able to use theoretical tools for analysing and understanding social problems 2. Be in a position to use knowledge and tools from different disciplines to understand the roots and manifestations of social problems. 3. Be in a position to critically assess interpretations to social phenomena and proposed policies. 4. Raise awareness and sensitivity to issues related to social exclusion, gender and minority inequalities. 	

(2) SYLLABUS

The course will explore contemporary approaches on the rise of the welfare state, its role and prospects. The welfare state will be examined both in a historical and comparative perspective. The historical factors that led to the emergence of distinctive models of welfare state organization will be examined with an emphasis on Esping Andersen's typology. Special attention will be given to south European welfare states and particularly that of Greece. In addition the course will examine the recent developments and challenges faced by the welfare state due to changes in work organization, family structure and gender relations. Lastly, the prospects for the revitalization of the welfare state as well as the changes taking place within the European Union will be explored.

Modules:

- 1.Introduction : Main concepts and definitions
- 2.Historical development of the welfare state
- 3.Theoretical approaches explaining the rise of the welfare state
- 4.Comparative analysis of welfare state models
- 5.The welfare state and gender
- 6.The South European welfare state
- 7.The development of the welfare state in Greece
- 8.The transformation of the welfare state in Greece since 2010
- 9.The crisis of the welfare state
10. Social policy priorities in the EU
11. Recent challenges and prospects within the context of globalizing societies.

(3) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

DELIVERY <i>Face-to-face, Distance learning, etc.</i>																							
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY <i>Use of ICT in teaching, laboratory education, communication with students</i>	Use of ICT in teaching and communication with students																						
TEACHING METHODS <i>The manner and methods of teaching are described in detail.</i> <i>Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice, fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography, tutorials, placements, clinical practice, art workshop, interactive teaching, educational visits, project, essay writing, artistic creativity, etc.</i> <i>The student's study hours for each learning activity are given as well as the hours of non-directed study according to the principles of the ECTS</i>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Activity</i></th><th><i>Semester workload</i></th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lectures</td><td>36</td></tr> <tr> <td>Study and analysis of bibliography</td><td>89</td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr> <td>Course total</td><td>125</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Semester workload</i>	Lectures	36	Study and analysis of bibliography	89															Course total	125
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STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION <i>Description of the evaluation procedure</i> <i>Language of evaluation, methods of evaluation, summative or conclusive, multiple choice questionnaires, short-answer questions, open-ended questions, problem solving, written work, essay/report, oral examination, public presentation, laboratory work, clinical examination of patient, art interpretation, other</i> <i>Specifically-defined evaluation criteria are given, and if and where they are accessible to students.</i>	Final written examination (100%) or 70% of their grade from final examination and 30% from their performance in a written essay.																						

(4) ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

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