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Course Unit Program
Social Polity and Social Exclusion

Academic Year 2023/2024

1. Organic Unit

Higher Institute of Social Work

2. Course

SOCIAL WORK

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Social Polity and Social Exclusion (L4417)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

2nd

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

1st Semester



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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	30,00
Practical classes:	
Theoretical-Practical Classes	
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

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12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

To know the fundamentals and the analytical framework of Social Policy, as an area of Public Policies, in order to understand Social Policy as a mechanism for regulating life in society and the relationship between State/Society/Citizens.

15. Specific Objectives

To Know the different socio-political perspectives that frame the different conceptions and models of Social Policy.

Address Social Policy within the framework of Public Policies, its evolution and current trends.

Provide theoretical and ethical elements for the knowledge and analysis of the influence of Social Policy in preventing and combating social exclusion.

Encourage the study of Social Policy in its relationship with Human Rights, Citizenship Rights and Social Work.

16. Skills to be acquired

Reflective capacity on Social Policy as public action, its redistributive character and preventive effect in poverty and social exclusion.

Realise the importance of Social Policy as a resource for Social Work action, for the reduction of social inequalities and citizen's participation in community development.



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17. Teaching Methodology

Theoretical exposition of the contents of the programme and encouragement of students' participation. Articulation between the subjects of the programme, the daily life of society, the policy measures in force, and the scope of social workers action.

Analysis and interpretation of key documents on the contents of the programme, with presentation by students in tutorial class.

18. Course Unit Program

I - Social Policy: concepts and perspectives

1. The discipline of Social Policy: questions about the delimitation of its object

2. Empirical classification of Social Policy.

3. Main conceptions of Social Policy

3.1 Interventionist conception - collective responsibility, equality and social justice; Marshall's theory of citizenship; Titmuss' redistributive institutional model; Keynes and social policy as a support to the economy.

3.2 Liberal conceptualisation - individual responsibility and freedom; market, civil society and the state; the perspectives of Hayek, Nozick, Rawls.

3.3 Marxist analyses - the functions of social reproduction and legitimisation of social policies in the welfare state; the theory of regulation.

4. Models of Social Policy

II - Social Policy and the Welfare State

1 - Welfare State: context of action and evolution

2. Restructuring of the Welfare State: nature and explanations

- Financial and fiscal sustainability

- Social and cultural changes

- Crisis and reformulation of forms and mechanisms of social solidarity: role of the State, the market, the family and civil society

III Social Policy and Social Exclusion

1. social exclusion: conceptual framework and determinants

2. Social Policy and the fight against Social Exclusion: the role of sectoral policies (Social Security, Health, Employment, Education, Housing).

19. Assessment Methods

2 written Tests

Work - Analysis of text or statistical data to be provided by the teacher

20. Didactic Resources

Audio-visual media

Documentation organised and made available by the teacher.

21. Sustainability Objectives



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he framework of the UC in the design of sustainability, which requires the balance of social, economic and environmental dimensions. Poverty and exclusion derive from the imbalance in these dimensions, and it is the responsibility of Social Policy to create well-being through intervention in the broad framework of what is called Social Protection.

22. Keywords

Public Policy
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Publisher: Cortez

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Edition: 1ª Year: 2011
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Publisher: Instituto de Ciências Sociais e Políticas

Author(s): Mozzicafreddo, Juan
Title: Estado-Providência e Cidadania em Portugal
Edition: Year: 1997
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Author(s): Maria do Céu Patrão Neves e António Bagão Félix
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Edition: Year: 2017
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