



# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

**Department: Cultures and Societies**

**A.Y. 2014/2015**

**DEGREE COURSE IN SOCIAL WORK**

**- SOCIAL WORK (AG) -**

## Characteristics



Class of Bachelor's Degree  
(BSc) on Social work (L-39)



3 YEARS



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## Educational objectives

This degree course aims at training social workers who, after national qualification examinations, may register in section B of the professional board.

The course aims at training professionals capable of reading critically, reflectively and independently the dynamics and social processes of their territory, of planning appropriate actions with respect to social issues they have to face, of carrying out their activities in the public and private social services, taking into account the operating modes of the relevant organizational system.

The specific learning outcomes for the professional social worker are as follows:

- Knowledge of the sociological, psychological, and legal subjects and full command of the principles, methods and techniques of social work;
- Theoretical and practical skills useful to recognize, identify and address situations of social disease and marginalization ;
- Ability to work in groups and networking;
- Skills and ability to interact with people of different cultures , with respect to social intercultural and multi-ethnic relations;
- Knowledge in conflict and communication management in the interaction among social actors ;
- Basic skills for communication and information management, with tools and methods computer and data.

The course includes a group of sociological subjects related, in particular, to general sociology and social research methodology, to regional sociology and to the sociology of ethnical relations, of cultural and communicative processes, to the sociology of deviance, in addition to the fundamental disciplines of social work (Principles and foundations of Social Work , Methods and Techniques of Social Work I, II , III , Organization of Social Service ).

The educational programme also provides teaching in the psychological area, and teachings aiming at providing basic knowledge in the legal and economic areas.

Great importance is given to practice activities, a total of 600 hours over three years, which will vary from year to year in accordance to the guidance of tutors that direct and guide students and their activities in the various services. The assessment of learning outcomes is based on mid-term and/or final, written and/or oral examinations, related to the teachings and supplementary activities, in addition to the evaluation of the final examination.

## Professional opportunities

Graduates of this course may access the national qualification examination, and after passing it they may register in section B of the Social Workers board.

Graduates in Social Work may therefore carry out their activity as employees or private practitioners.

They may work in public or private facilities, local Healthcare services,

Prefectures, such as Ministries of Justice, Labor, Health, etc.. They can also operate in Local Institutions, services to individuals and rehabilitation centers, services for children in trouble with the law and in services for adults in prison administrations; in nursing homes, in foster homes and shelters for women. They can then offer their services as mediators in various structures dealing with EU and non-EU immigrants, especially in a region like Sicily, land access of migrants. The course pays particular attention to specific training in this regard, in view of activities at reception centers and temporary detention centers.

Social workers may also continue their studies through the 2nd cycle degree course in Social work and policies

## Final examination features

The mandatory final examination aims at demonstrating, coherently with the course educational objectives, the achievement of the expected learning outcomes, as well as the experience and judgment autonomy which are indispensable for the

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profession. The final examination consists of the discussion of a paper which may be related, alternatively, to: - A field research - A case study - A project - A theoretical and or methodological consideration About issues related to social work and to the relevant context.

Subjects 1 ° year	CFU	Sem.	Val.	SSD	TAF
05782 - PRINCIPLES OF SOCIAL SERVICE <i>Carbone(PC)</i>	6	1	V	SPS/07	C
02526 - PRIVATE LAW <i>Mormile(RU)</i>	6	1	V	IUS/01	B
06120 - SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY <i>Scaffidi Abbate(PO)</i>	6	1	V	M-PSI/05	A
01340 - CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY <i>Buttitta(PO)</i>	9	2	V	M-DEA/01	A
16507 - GENERAL SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND TECHNIQUE <i>Gucciardo(PA)</i>	9	2	V	SPS/07	A
02549 - PUBLIC LAW <i>Ferrara(RU)</i>	6	2	V	IUS/09	A
13351 - ADVANCED SKILLS RELATED TO THE LABOUR MARKET <i>Sciurba(PA)</i>	3	2	G		F
14116 - COMPUTING AND TELEMATICS SKILLS <i>Barone(PQ)</i>	3	2	G		F
07553 - PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE <i>Nobile(PC)</i>	6	2	G		S

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Subjects 2 ° year	CFU	Sem.	Val.	SSD	TAF
05055 - METHODS AND TECHNIQUES OF SOCIAL WORK I <i>Ciulla(PC)</i>	9	1	V	SPS/07	B
13166 - NATIONAL AND REGIONAL SOCIAL POLICY <i>Bartholini(PO)</i>	6	1	V	SPS/07	B
16344 - SOCIOLOGY AND HISTORY OF MIGRATIONS <i>Di Rosa(PO)</i>	6	1	V	SPS/07	C
06568 - SOCIOLOGY OF ETHNICAL RELATIONS <i>Di Rosa(PO)</i>	6	1	V	SPS/10	B
00244 - CRIMINAL LAW <i>Siracusa(PA)</i>	6	2	V	IUS/17	B
05432 - SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANISATION <i>Santoro(PC)</i>	6	2	V	SECS-P/10	C
06552 - SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION <i>Rovelli(PQ)</i>	6	2	V	SPS/08	B
06564 - SOCIOLOGY OF FAMILY <i>Rovelli(PQ)</i>	6	2	V	SPS/08	B
08611 - PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE II <i>Carolei(PC)</i>	9	2	G		S
Free subjects (suggested)	6				D

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Subjects 3 ° year	CFU	Sem.	Val.	SSD	TAF
06062 - PSYCHOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT <i>Carollo(CU)</i>	15	1	V	M-PSI/04	B
12355 - KNOWLEDGE OF A FOREIGN LANGUAGE <i>D'Alessandro(PC)</i>	6	1	G		E

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08521 - PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE III <i>Nobile(PC)</i>	9	1	G		S
03795 - HYGIENE <i>Torregrossa(PQ)</i>	6	2	V	MED/42	B
08670 - PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS <i>Santoro(PC)</i>	6	2	V	SPS/04	A
06557 - SOCIOLOGY OF COMMUNICATION <i>Giacomarra(PO)</i>	6	2	V	SPS/08	A
05917 - FINAL EXAMINATION	6	2	G		E
Free subjects (suggested) II	6				D
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## OPTIONAL SUBJECTS

Free subjects (suggested)	CFU	Sem.	Val.	SSD	TAF
08284 - SOCIAL PLANNING <i>Montalbano(PC)</i>	6	1	V	SPS/07	D
06563 - SOCIOLOGY OF DEVIANCE <i>Bartholini(PO)</i>	6	1	V	SPS/12	D
Free subjects (suggested) II	CFU	Sem.	Val.	SSD	TAF
05051 - METHODS AND TECHNIQUES OF SOCIAL WORK 2 <i>Diliberto(PC)</i>	6	1	V	SPS/07	D