



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

DEPARTMENT	Scienze Psicologiche, Pedagogiche, dell'Esercizio Fisico e della Formazione		
ACADEMIC YEAR	2016/2017		
MASTER'S DEGREE (MSC)	SOCIAL, OCCUPATIONAL AND ORGANISATION PSYCHOLOGY		
SUBJECT	PSYCHOLOGY OF ATTITUDES		
TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY	B		
AMBIT	50471-Psicologia sociale e del lavoro		
CODE	13448		
SCIENTIFIC SECTOR(S)	M-PSI/05		
HEAD PROFESSOR(S)	GIAMMUSSO ISABELLA	Ricercatore a tempo determinato	Univ. di PALERMO
OTHER PROFESSOR(S)			
CREDITS	6		
INDIVIDUAL STUDY (Hrs)	110		
COURSE ACTIVITY (Hrs)	40		
PROPAEDEUTICAL SUBJECTS			
MUTUALIZATION			
YEAR	1		
TERM (SEMESTER)	2° semester		
ATTENDANCE	Not mandatory		
EVALUATION	Out of 30		
TEACHER OFFICE HOURS	GIAMMUSSO ISABELLA Friday 15:00 18:00 studio della docente (Viale delle Scienze, Edificio 15, piano 5, stanza 009). In casi di necessita particolari, il ricevimento potra tenersi online su piattaforma Teams previo accordo con la docente. In entrambi i casi e NECESSARIA la prenotazione tramite portale o tramite email alla docente.		

DOCENTE: Prof.ssa ISABELLA GIAMMUSSO

PREREQUISITES	In order to understand the content of the course and to achieve the learning objectives, the student must possess basic knowledge in the field of social psychology (prejudice, social influence) and research methodology (the phases of research process).
LEARNING OUTCOMES	Knowledge and ability to understand Knowledge and understanding of the principal theoretical models and methods in psychology of attitudes Applying knowledge and understanding Capacity to plan and realize research in order to analyze attitudes. Capacity to interpret social processes using the acquired competencies Autonomy of judgments Capacity to work independently using critical and aware judgment to approach issues about psychology of attitudes Ability to communicate Capacity to synthesize, connect and communicate the main content of the course program using appropriate psychological lexicon Capacity of learning Capacity to analyze, confront and integrate concepts found in texts and scientific articles written in different languages (Italian and English)
ASSESSMENT METHODS	Attending students During the final exam students will answer two questions. The questions posed orally may regard any part of the course program, with reference to the recommended texts and scientific articles. The vote will take into account both the exercises performance and the final oral examination. The candidate gets the minimum evaluation if he/she has the basic knowledge of the topics covered in the course and demonstrates ability to autonomously organize the concepts. The final vote will be expressed in thirtieth and will be validated during the examination periods. Non attending students During the final exam students will answer 4 or 5 questions. The questions posed orally may regard any part of the program, with reference to the recommended texts and scientific articles. The candidate gets the minimum evaluation if he/she has the basic knowledge of the topics covered in the course and demonstrates ability to autonomously organize the concepts. The final vote will be expressed in thirtieth and will be validated during the examination periods.
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES	The course will provide the principal knowledge about core theories and methods in psychology of attitudes. The topics include definition, structures and functions of attitudes, the relation between attitudes and behavior, persuasion and prejudice
TEACHING METHODS	Lectures and practical exercises. The exercises will concern a) the individuation and the discussion of recent research that deepen the main theories covered during lectures and b) the production of a brief manuscript on the topic and the research discussed orally. Dates of the exercise will be agreed from time to time and will be communicated on the online platform http://elearning.unipa.it. The products of the exercises will be published on the same platform.
SUGGESTED BIBLIOGRAPHY	- Maio G.R., Haddock G. (2010). The psychology of attitudes and attitude change. Sage publication, London reperibile presso la biblioteca del Dipartimento di Psicologia - Articoli scientifici pubblicati su riviste di settore e reperibili presso la biblioteca del Dipartimento di Psicologia o forniti dal docente

SYLLABUS

Hrs	Frontal teaching
6	Introduction to psychology of attitude: content, structure and function of attitude
5	Measurement of attitudes
7	The attitude - behavior relation
5	Attitude change - Cognitive aspect
7	Attitude change - Affects and behavior
Hrs	Practice
10	Practical exercise