

## UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

DEPARTMENT	Culture e società
ACADEMIC YEAR	2022/2023
MASTER'S DEGREE (MSC)	SOCIAL WORK, INEQUALITIES AND SOCIAL VULNERABILITIES
SUBJECT	POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY
TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY	В
AMBIT	50624-Discipline sociologiche e di servizio sociale
CODE	06597
SCIENTIFIC SECTOR(S)	SPS/11
HEAD PROFESSOR(S)	MACALUSO MARILENA Professore Associato Univ. di PALERMO
OTHER PROFESSOR(S)	
CREDITS	6
INDIVIDUAL STUDY (Hrs)	120
COURSE ACTIVITY (Hrs)	30
PROPAEDEUTICAL SUBJECTS	
MUTUALIZATION	POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY - Corso: COMUNICAZIONE PUBBLICA, D'IMPRESA E PUBBLICITA'
	POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY - Corso: PUBLIC, CORPORATE AND ADVERTISING COMMUNICATION
YEAR	1
TERM (SEMESTER)	2° semester
ATTENDANCE	Not mandatory
EVALUATION	Out of 30
TEACHER OFFICE HOURS	MACALUSO MARILENA
	Tuesday 11:15 13:15 Solo su prenotazione attraverso il portale Unipa: Stanza 202 ed. 15 oppure Piattaforma Teams (da precisare in via di prenotazione).

## **DOCENTE: Prof.ssa MARILENA MACALUSO** The course is set up as a first approach to Political Sociology, therefore, it does **PREREQUISITES** not require specific prerequisites related to the subject sector. It may be useful, however, to have already acquired a basic sociological knowledge. LEARNING OUTCOMES Knowledge and understanding. Knowledge about the main theorethical approaches and field investigations in the area of Political Sociology. Using a specialist language and applying originally the knowledge on reseach tools in order to understand the sociopolitical phenomena. Applying knowledge and understanding. Planning autonomously theorethical researches and empirical investigations applying the acquired knowledge in new social and political contexts. Making judgements. Assessment the outputs and outcomes of political sociology studies. Selection of the appropriate techniques for the collection of data by a target-oriented method. Communication. Communication of their conclusions and investigations to specialist and nonspecialist audiences. Lifelong learning skills. Ability to study in a manner that may be largely self-directed or autonomous and to attend Master, PhD and seminars. ASSESSMENT METHODS Oral exam Assessment methods The student will be interviewed on the subjects and textbooks scheduled. In order to pass the exam the students will have to show: - Adequate communication ability; Knowledge of the topics scheduled; - Application skill of the concepts learned. The result of the examination will be considered: EXCELLENT (30-30 with distinction) if the student demonstrates excellent knowledge of the subject matter, excellent language skills, good analytical ability, and to be able to apply the knowledge to solve the problems proposed; VERY GOOD (26-29) if the student shows good knowledge of the subject matter of the topics dealt with, have full command of the language and are able to apply the knowledge to solve the proposed problems; GOOD (24-25) if the student shows basic knowledge of the main topics, proper language skills, limited ability to apply the knowledge autonomously to the solution of the proposed problems; MORE THAN SUCCESSFUL (20-23) if the student shows that he/she does not have full mastery of the main topics but possesses a discrete knowledge of them, satisfactory knowledge, satisfactory language skills, little ability to apply the acquired knowledge autonomously: SUFFICIENT (18-19) where the student shows a minimum basic knowledge of the main topics of the course and of the subject of the course and of the technical language, minimum ability to apply the acquired knowledge; INSUFFICIENT if the student does not have an acceptable knowledge of the contents of the topics covered in the course. **EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES** The course aims to develop knowledge and understanding of the main theoretical approaches and constitutive aspects of the political phenomena and of the research activities on this field. The lectures will deal with classic and recent authors and approachs collected by themes. An in-depth analysis will concern the forms and places of political participation and socialization. A specific focus will regard the representative and deliberative democracy, the inclusive decisional processes in the policy making and the techniques for the participative policy using new media. The topics in the program will be approached taking into account the training objectives and application of the discipline to the future prospects of work of both the degree courses involved. The lesson time organization allows: a) to follow the course for 30 hours (6 cfu) for the students of the LM87 SERVIZIO SOCIALE, DISEGUAGLIANZE E VULNERABILITA' SOCIALE; b) to continue for 60 hours total (9 cfu) for the

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Lectures. Teaching tools: multimedia lectures, reading and analysis of texts (Institutional documents, Bills, communication campaigns, etc.), brainstorming, debate, simulation (RPGs), Case studies, group work, video analysis, testimonies, participant observation. Seminar activities are planned, integrated

TEACHING METHODS

	in the course, also in cooperation with teachers from El-Manar University of Tunis.
SUGGESTED BIBLIOGRAPHY	La frequenza e' fortemente consigliata/Attendance is strongly recommended.
	Testi obbligatori per frequentanti e non (9 e 6 cfu):
	1) Rush M. (2007), Politica e societa'. Introduzione alla sociologia politica, il Mulino, Bologna.
	(Updated Italian Translation of the original English edition published in 1992). ISBN 978-88-15-11955-1
	The handbook is available in a new edition: Rush M. (2014), Politics & Society: An Introduction to Political Sociology, Routledge, London and New York. Più 2 libri monografici per il corso da 9 cfu; più 1 libro monografico per il corso da 6 cfu, tra i seguenti:
	2) Macaluso M. (2007), Democrazia e consultazione on line, FrancoAngeli, Milano. ISBN 9788846491039
	3) Macaluso M., Tumminelli S. (2017), Socializzazione politica e potere quotidiano, Mimesis, Milano. ISBN 978-88-5754-625-4 oppure
	Macaluso M., Siino M., Tumminelli G. (2020), "Seconde generazioni", identità e partecipazione politica, FrancoAngeli, Milano. ISBN: 9788835110286
	Eventuali variazioni nella scelta dei libri di testo saranno comunicate all'inizio delle lezioni/Any changes in the choice of textbooks will be communicated at the beginning of the lessons.
	Materiali su casi studio verranno presentati durante il corso e saranno disponibili (o indicati) nel periodo delle lezioni nella sezione "materiali" dedicata alla materia sulla pagina docente del portale Unipa alla quale si accede iscrivendosi online al corso dal portale Unipa. Gli studenti lavoratori (o non frequentati)
	potranno contattare il docente del corso (email) per informazioni sul programma e sulle modalita' d'accesso alla piattaforma elettronica Unipa.

## **SYLLABUS**

Hrs	Frontal teaching
2	Presentation of the course objectives and class contract (formative needs assessment by brainstorming and program sharing). Introduction: What is Political Sociology?
6	The State, power and authority The State and Society. Power, authority and legitimacy. The distribution of power.
6	Political Behaviour and Society. Political participation. Political parties and social movements.
2	Political recruitment.
2	Political communication, public opinion and ideology
4	Social change. Revolution, development and modernisation
4	Analysis of a social movement: repertoires of protest and structure of the network
6	Political socialisation: Theoretical Perspectives, Methodological Approaches and Research.
4	Political socialization and daily power: an explorative research in Palermo
2	Studying the political socialization on the field
4	Representative democracy, deliberative and electronic democracy
4	Information, consultation and active participation
2	From e-government to e-democracy: prospects and problems. M-government in Europe and around the world.
5	Electronic consultation techniques for citizens and stakeholders
3	Tools and case studies on online political participation. Italy and Great Britain compared.
1	Future prospects of the discipline and participative Course Assessment (final class contract)
Hrs	Practice
3	Electronic consultation: its planning and its making