



# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

DEPARTMENT	Scienze Economiche, Aziendali e Statistiche		
ACADEMIC YEAR	2022/2023		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE (BSC)	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND MIGRATIONS		
SUBJECT	POLITICAL SCIENCE		
TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY	A		
AMBIT	50211-discipline giuridico-politiche		
CODE	18240		
SCIENTIFIC SECTOR(S)	SPS/04		
HEAD PROFESSOR(S)	ROSSI ROSA MARIA CLAUDIA	Cultore della Materia	Univ. di PALERMO
OTHER PROFESSOR(S)			
CREDITS	6		
INDIVIDUAL STUDY (Hrs)	102		
COURSE ACTIVITY (Hrs)	48		
PROPAEDEUTICAL SUBJECTS			
MUTUALIZATION			
YEAR	2		
TERM (SEMESTER)	1° semester		
ATTENDANCE	Not mandatory		
EVALUATION	Out of 30		
TEACHER OFFICE HOURS	ROSSI ROSA MARIA CLAUDIA Wednesday 15:00 - 17:00 In piattaforma Teams. Contattare il docente via email per concordare orario e giorno		

**DOCENTE:** Prof.ssa ROSA MARIA CLAUDIA ROSSI

<b>PREREQUISITES</b>	None. However, a background knowledge of the main historical-political phenomena of modern and contemporary history might be useful.
<b>LEARNING OUTCOMES</b>	<p><b>Knowledge and understanding</b> Students will receive knowledge of the theories and methods of analysis of the main phenomena of contemporary politics . Particular attention will be devoted to the analysis of some African political systems and conflicts.</p> <p><b>Applying knowledge and understanding</b> Ability to gather and interpret data and information, and to recognize and make informed judgements on the main actors, processes and reforms of political system, using the theories and methods of Political Science</p> <p><b>Making judgements</b> Be able to evaluate autonomously dynamics and outcomes of the main contemporary political processes, and to critically reinterpret theories and hypotheses presented during the lectures.</p> <p><b>Communication</b> Ability to use the specialist language of Political Science. Ability to communicate analyses on actors and processes of politics and to communicate information, ideas, problems and solutions concerning the politics arena to both specialist and non-specialist audiences</p> <p><b>Lifelong learning skills</b> Ability to follow the main contemporary debates in Political Science to attend post-graduate courses in the field</p>
<b>ASSESSMENT METHODS</b>	Students will be examined on the basis of an oral exam that aims at evaluating whether they have both knowledge and understanding of the topics of the course, and whether they have gained critical thinking and capacity to make judgements. The final evaluation will be on a scale of thirty. The overall result of the exam will be considered: EXCELLENT (30-30 with honors) if the student shows excellent knowledge of the topics, excellent language properties, good analytical ability and if he/she is able to apply the knowledge of Political Science to understand contemporary political phenomena; VERY GOOD (26-29) if the student will show good command of the topics covered, full ownership of language and if he/she is able to apply Political Science's knowledge and theories to understand political phenomena; GOOD (24-25) if the student shows basic knowledge of the main topics, fair language properties, limited ability to independently apply Political Science's knowledge and theories to understand contemporary political phenomena; MORE THAN SUFFICIENT (20-23) if the student shows that he/she does not have full control of the main topics but has a fair knowledge of them, satisfactory language properties, poor ability to independently apply the acquired knowledge to contemporary political phenomena. The sufficiency threshold, SUFFICIENT (18-19), will be reached when the student shows knowledge and understanding of the topics at least in general lines and if he/she has minimal applicative knowledges of Political Science; INSUFFICIENT if the student does not have an acceptable knowledge of the contents of the topics covered in the teaching.
<b>EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES</b>	Gaining of the basic concepts of Political Science, and of the main methods of analysis to understand phenomena of contemporary politics. Particular attention will be devoted to the analysis of African States, Politics and Conflicts.
<b>TEACHING METHODS</b>	Lectures and seminars.
<b>SUGGESTED BIBLIOGRAPHY</b>	<p>Libro di testo</p> <p>- 1) Capano G., Piattoni S., Raniolo F. e Verzichelli L. (2017) Manuale di scienza politica, Bologna, Il Mulino, ISBN: 978-88-15-27219-5</p> <p>- 2) Carbone Giovanni, (2021) L'Africa. Gli stati, la politica, i conflitti. Bologna, Il Mulino (NUOVA EDIZIONE), ISBN: 9788815292063</p>

## SYLLABUS

Hrs	Frontal teaching
2	Classes Presentation and Political Science Introduction.
2	Politics and Political Science: Origin, Boundaries and Political Sciences Approaches
2	Research designs and methods of Political Science
4	Regime, Political System, the State and its Transformations
4	Democracy and regime change
2	Democratization
2	Non-democratic regimes
4	Political Parties and political parties systems.
2	Electoral Systems

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Hrs	Frontal teaching
3	Parliaments and representation
4	Government and coalitions theory
2	Public opinion and political participation
2	Interest Groups e Social Movements
4	Decision-making process and public policies
3	Sovranational dimension and multilevel governance
2	Crisis in Politics and democracy perspectives
4	African States and civil conflicts