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DIPARTIMENTO	Scienze Politiche e delle Relazioni Internazionali		
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CORSO DILAUREA MAGISTRALE	SCIENZE DELLE AMMINISTRAZIONI E DELLE ORGANIZZAZIONI COMPLESSE		
INSEGNAMENTO	PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR		
TIPO DI ATTIVITA'	B		
AMBITO	50523-economico-organizzativo		
CODICE INSEGNAMENTO	17404		
SETTORI SCIENTIFICO-DISCIPLINARI	SECS-P/07		
DOCENTE RESPONSABILE	COSENZ FEDERICO	Professore Associato	Univ. di PALERMO
ALTRI DOCENTI			
CFU	12		
NUMERO DI ORE RISERVATE ALLO STUDIO PERSONALE	216		
NUMERO DI ORE RISERVATE ALLA DIDATTICA ASSISTITA	84		
PROPEDEUTICITA'			
MUTUAZIONI	DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR - Corso: SVILUPPO SOSTENIBILE DELLE ORGANIZZAZIONI PUBBLICHE E PRIVATE DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR - Corso: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ORGANISATIONS		
ANNO DI CORSO	1		
PERIODO DELLE LEZIONI	2° semestre		
MODALITA' DI FREQUENZA	Obbligatoria		
TIPO DI VALUTAZIONE	Voto in trentesimi		
ORARIO DI RICEVIMENTO DEGLI STUDENTI	COSENZ FEDERICO Mercoledì 17:00 18:00 Dipartimento DEMS. Il ricevimento con gli studenti va richiesto e confermato via email con il docente. Il ricevimento si terrà nella stanza del docente presso il Dipartimento DEMS oppure attraverso la piattaforma Microsoft Teams. Meetings with students must be requested and confirmed by email (federico.cosenz@unipa.it). Meetings will be held at the DEMS Department or by Microsoft Teams.		

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PREREQUISITI	English language proficiency, basics of Public Management
RISULTATI DI APPRENDIMENTO ATTESI	<p>Knowledge and understanding</p> <p>Students learn to analyze problems at different consequential levels, i.e. departmental, political, interdepartmental, cross-institutional. The need to link the political and managerial level, planning and control, design and implementation, policy formulation and evaluation is emphasized. The benefits of joined-up government are explored, and linked with the need to frame the value chain leading to deliver 'products' to citizens, through the fulfillment of processes and activities.</p> <p>Improving service quality and operational efficiency are analyzed as primary outcomes of more 'learning-oriented' P&C systems, according to a 'New Public Management' perspective in the public domain.</p> <p>Students also learn how to adopt the System Dynamics method as an approach to foster a 'learning-oriented' view of Planning and Control in the public sector. They learn how to relate system dynamics models coherently and consistently to other Planning and Control models to better support key-actors' learning and decision making in and across various public domains.</p> <p>Applying knowledge and understanding</p> <p>Students develop System Dynamics models and Interactive learning Environments (ILEs) to facilitate effective planning, control, policy design, strategy development, and implementation in various public contexts. More specifically, such knowledge will be applied at three levels, i.e.: a macro, meso, and micro level. The first one relates to contexts that may imply the need to model various inter-related sectors of the economy and to support decision making concerning different 'key-actors', often operating across several institutions. Applying System Dynamics modeling on a meso level implies the opportunity to analyze problems from the perspective of a sector, i.e. in a view which is usually adopted by different branches of a public administration (e.g. a Ministry).</p> <p>Applications of System Dynamics modeling at these two levels address the political processes. Applications at the third level (i.e. the micro one) address the departmental or managerial processes. In fact, it focuses on the analysis of 'administrative products' that are delivered by the fulfillment of processes and activities inside the department of a given Ministry. In developing System Dynamics models addressing all the three levels, students learn to: (1) use System Dynamics as a method that portrays the tight relationships that exist between the managerial and the political level; (2) use System Dynamics as a method to support the development of Planning and Control systems, - e.g. in defining performance standards, gauging results, analyzing performance drivers, outlining strategic resources, identifying policy levers, - all within the framework of the 'dynamic' balanced scorecard perspective.</p> <p>The students will engage in real life case-study analyses in which they will practice their public sector and modeling knowledge and understanding on public management disciplines. They will identify the systems structure underlying poor public performance and will develop and assess strategies and policies aimed at performance improvement. Students will also analyze how to assess and manage sustainable development. Students will demonstrate their ability to transfer their skills across management disciplines and public sectors and will learn to approach a problem from a multi-sector and a multidisciplinary perspective.</p> <p>Making judgements</p> <p>Through System Dynamics based case-study analyses, students learn to assess the sustainability of public policies and strategies from various perspectives. They gain a systemic, time-related, and open-ended perspective on public organizations. They also learn to evaluate performance, based not only on financial and tangible factors, but also on intangibles. Planning and control, and strategy development and implementation are considered elements of an integrated approach aimed at fostering decision makers. Students learn to detect the limits of conventional approaches (theories, techniques and tools) for policy design, strategy development and implementation, and performance evaluation. They should be able to reflect on the method to use in order to adopt Planning and Control systems as a viable means to foster empowerment, accountability, communication and learning, particularly in public organizations that operate in a complex and dynamic environment. Different levers on which to act in order to affect radical change in public organizations are examined according to various managerial "schools", ranging from the Reinventing Government to the New Public Service approach. By experience they recognize the values and the limits of the System Dynamics method, when applied to performance management systems, and are inspired to reflect on how that method can be used for learning purposes.</p> <p>Communication</p> <p>Students can present and discuss relevant literature sources as well as the result of their case studies in class. They also present results from modeling and simulation sessions to stakeholders in organizations and to interested academics.</p>

	<p>Learning skills</p> <p>Students are enabled to acquire skills that are required for self-studies of the literature on the subject.</p>
VALUTAZIONE DELL'APPRENDIMENTO	<p>Student learning assessment is based on: (1) a written exam, (2) the development and presentation of a project, and (3) the "active" participation in the lectures.</p> <p>(1) A four-hours written examination is to ensure the acquisition of skills, abilities and skills required. The written exam consists in the analysis of a case study developed by each student at the end of the course.</p> <p>(2) During the semester students - divided into groups of up to three units and supported by professors - will develop a project based on a real public organization. In particular, it is asked to develop a simulation model to explore organizational performance from the perspective of the Dynamic Performance Management. At the end of the semester, the model developed is presented and evaluated by the professors.</p> <p>(3) The students will also be assessed based on their "active" participation during the lectures. The most important key criteria are: the timeliness and the ability to interact with professors and other students.</p> <p>Evaluation criteria (up to 30)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Excellent: 30-30 laude = very good knowledge of the topics, excellent communication skills, good analytical ability, the student is able to apply knowledge to solve proposed problems - Very good: 26-29 = Good knowledge of the subjects, very good communication skills, the student is able to apply knowledge to solve problems proposed - Good: 24 - 25 = basic knowledge of the main topics, good communication skills, with limited ability to independently apply knowledge to solve the proposed problems - More than sufficient: 21-23 = limited knowledge of the main topics, basic communication skills, poor ability to independently apply the knowledge acquired - Sufficient: 18-20 = minimum basic knowledge of the main topics, very little or no ability to independently apply the knowledge acquired - Insufficient = the student does not have an acceptable knowledge of the contents of the topics covered in the course
OBIETTIVI FORMATIVI	<p>The course is aimed at providing students with the following main objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to the Dynamic Performance Management approach to Public Sector organizations. 2. Analysis of the complexity factors that particularly influence and characterize planning, policy design and management in the public sector. 3. Three Dynamic Performance Management (DPM) perspectives are analyzed: an instrumental, an objective and a subjective DPM view. <p>To this end, empirical applications of the Dynamic Performance Management approach to case studies based on real public sector organizations will be developed.</p>
ORGANIZZAZIONE DELLA DIDATTICA	Lectures, In-Class Exercises, Computer Lab Sessions, Project Making.
TESTI CONSIGLIATI	<p>Bianchi C., 2016, Dynamic Performance Management, Springer.</p> <p>The didactic materials will be also distributed to students during lectures and will consist in articles, papers and case studies to be studied and developed.</p>

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4	a) Designing Dynamic Performance Management Systems in Public Sector organizations: - An instrumental view of performance in the public sector
4	a) Designing Dynamic Performance Management Systems in Public Sector organizations: - An objective view of performance in the public sector
3	a) Designing Dynamic Performance Management Systems in Public Sector organizations: - A subjective view of performance in the public sector
10	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - The role of System Dynamics modeling in supporting planning, control, performance evaluation, and decision making, in a strategic learning-oriented approach. System Dynamics modeling and joined-up government
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - The support of System Dynamics modeling to frame the relevant system by comprising both public and private sector decision makers
3	<p>b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level:</p> <p>- Different perspectives and application domains for System Dynamics modeling in the public sector: macro, meso and micro views. Applying System Dynamics in a macro perspective: an inter-institutional perspective</p>
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying Dynamic Performance Management (DPM) in a macro perspective: planning in State, Region, and Municipal institutions

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3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying DPM in a macro perspective (cont'd): supporting the setting of goals/objectives in State, Region, and Municipal institutions
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying DPM in a macro perspective (cont'd): supporting the undertaking of actions in State, Region, and Municipal institutions
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying DPM in a macro perspective (cont'd): supporting strategic monitoring and feed-forward mechanisms in P&C systems in State, Region, and Municipal institutions
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying DPM in a macro perspective (cont'd): supporting performance evaluation in State, Region, and Municipal institutions
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying DPM in a meso perspective: linking political goals with managerial objectives. Matching short with long term performance
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying DPM in a micro perspective: focusing departmental objectives, activities, and performance measures. Focusing strategic resource dynamics at departmental level to affect performance
3	b) Applying Dynamic Performance Management to the public sector on a different scale: a macro, meso, and micro level: - Applying DPM in a micro perspective (cont'd): allocating resources and measuring performance using scenario analysis at departmental level. Balancing activity levels affecting different departments in a same Ministry, to affect service quality and efficiency
7	c) Developing Dynamic Performance Management to foster customer satisfaction, performance improvement and accountability in the public sector: - Urban planning and sustainable development
3	c) Developing Dynamic Performance Management to foster customer satisfaction, performance improvement and accountability in the public sector: - E-government
3	c) Developing Dynamic Performance Management to foster customer satisfaction, performance improvement and accountability in the public sector: - Industrial networks
3	c) Developing Dynamic Performance Management to foster customer satisfaction, performance improvement and accountability in the public sector: - Modeling the value chain of delivered services in an inter-institutional perspective
3	c) Developing Dynamic Performance Management to foster customer satisfaction, performance improvement and accountability in the public sector: - Modeling products, processes, and related performance measures
ORE	Laboratori
14	1.Public Works (laboratory) – Case-study; 2.Energy (laboratory) – Case-study; 3.Education (laboratory) – Case-study; 4.Social services (laboratory) – Case-study; 5.Public Utilities - water provision (laboratory) – Case-study; 6.Public Utilities garbage collection – Case-study; 7.Police and Safety – Case-study; 8.Back-office units - Managing Billing Processes in a Municipal Water Company: A Dynamic Balanced Scorecard Perspective; 9.Back-office vs. Front office units service delivery – onestop-shop service; 10.Health Care - Case-study; 11.Labor and unemployment policies – Case-study; 12.Environmental Protection Agency – Case-study; 13.Education – University Management – Case-study; 14.Culture - Dynamic Balanced Scorecards in Theatres (laboratory) - Case-study; 15.Tourism - Case-study.