



Syllabus

Academic Year	2021/2022
Program	Politics: Philosophy and Economics
Course	Political Philosophy
Term	II semester
Year	1
SSD	SPS/01 - Filosofia politica
Credits	8

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS	<p>The main purpose of this course is to introduce students to the main paradigms of contemporary political philosophy. Our aim is to foster student's critical capacity in thinking about crucial political issues, both at the domestic and global level.</p>
	<p>Knowledge and understanding: The student is able to easily understand the main analyses conducted in the fields of Political Philosophy.</p>
	<p>Applying knowledge and understanding: By using the concepts developed and tested by political philosophy, the student is able to actively participate and contribute to the choice of social policies in progress, by employing a language and methodology sufficiently sophisticated and rigorous scientifically.</p>
INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES	<p>These skills, in addition to being evaluated in the final phase (in written form), will be monitored through intermediate tests.</p>
They describe what a learner is expected to know, understand and be able to demonstrate after completion of a learning path.	<p>Moreover, the presence of multimedia contents available on the Moodle platform (videos, slides, exercises, forums, working groups, etc.) will give the possibility to create a permanent interaction between class and teacher, thereby giving the opportunity to verify competences in real time.</p>
	<p>Making judgements: The student acquires methodological tools useful to develop analyses resting on collection, processing and interpretation of data relating to economic, social and political phenomena.</p>
	<p>The ability to make independent judgements is conveyed in lessons, workshops and seminars and it is checked in the finale exam.</p>
	<p>Communications Skills: The student develops the ability to communicate her/his specific knowledge and to present the results of he/his study and research activities.</p>
	<p>Communication skills are tested in exams and during guided discussions.</p>



	<p>Learning skills: The student develops an autonomous ability to study at a higher level, which allows him/her to analyze problems their complexity and specific dynamics. The development of this capacity is stimulated by individual reading and understanding of scientific texts and articles.</p>
Pre-requisites	None. A basic knowledge of the fundamental philosophical notion may facilitate the class-work and the reading of the texts.
Course content	The course will introduce students to the main contemporary political thought: liberalism, communitarianism, democracy, feminism, Marxism, utilitarianism, multiculturalism and comparative political thought.
Reference Books	<p>Required readings</p> <p>Books:</p> <p>Sebastiano Maffettone (2011), Rawls. An Introduction, Cambridge: Polity Press.</p> <p>For other mandatory readings see references in the syllabus.</p> <p>Assigned readings, which are not available online at LUISS library, will be provided on the platform LUISS Learn.</p>
Teaching Methods	<p>The following teaching methods will be used during the course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- lectures- team works- cases studies- seminars- students' presentations- invited speakers' presentations.
Assessment	<p>The final assessment will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- midterm written exam (closed-ended questions): 25%- presence, participation and class presentations (discussion groups): 25%- final written exam (open-ended question): 50%.
