

SUBJECT CARD

1. Basic information

Subject	International Social Policy
Faculty	Faculty of Law
Field of studies	International Relations
Specialization	international business
PRK level	7 PRK
Education level	second-degree studies
Form of studies	full-time studies
Group of activities	—
Number of ECTS points	4
Type of subject	obligatory
Total number of hours	20 h
Didactic cycle	2023/2024 winter
Academic semester	2
Academic year	1
Education profile	general academic
Year of implementation	2023/2024
Language of instruction	English
Teacher(s)	dr Anna Paterek

Semester, number of ECTS points, type of subject, number of hours

Semester	Lecture
2	20 godz. 4 ECTS

2. General objectives

C1	Introduce students to the key domains of social policy, taking a comparative perspective across a range of countries with an OECD focus. To develop student's capacity to analyse and compare specific areas of social policy (for example education, health, social inclusion) in different countries.
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3. Introductory requirements

none

4. Learning outcomes

W1	Knowledge: analyse the major concepts, theoretical approaches and historical and contemporary issues in social policy and welfare state
W2	Knowledge: identify the disciplinary focus of social policy and understand the social, political and economic context in which current policy challenges develop
W3	Knowledge: have an understanding of the main social issues and problems facing societies
U1	Skills: engage in current debates in social policy and present arguments
K1	Social competence: identify, evaluate and employ a range of sources relevant to the study of social policy
K2	Social competence: understand ethical values in all activities related to learning, teaching and research

5. Course program

Lecture (20 h)

Code	Detailed description of the topic blocks (semester: 2)
Wyk1	Introduction: What is Social Policy?
Wyk2	Key Theoretical Approaches
Wyk3	Contemporary Context and Challenges
Wyk4	The European Union and Social Policy
Wyk5	Social Policy in Europe
Wyk6	Social Policy in the United States
Wyk7	Social Policy in East Asia
Wyk8	Social Policy in the BRICS countries
Wyk9	Social Policy in the Middle East and North Africa Region (MENA)

6. Didactic methods

Lecture	
M1	Case study
M2	Text analysis
M6	Discussion
M13	E-learning methods
M20	Lecture
M21	Use of distance learning tools

7. Student workload

Number of hours under supervision	Student workload
Lecture	20 h
Including e-learning:	10 h

Student's own work	
	80 h

Total workload	
Total number of hours for the course	100 h
Total number of ECTS points	4 ECTS

8. Conditions for course completion

Course completion criteria

Students are responsible for attending all classes, taking notes, and obtaining other materials provided by the teacher and completing assignments as scheduled by the teacher
case study-presentation, final written exam

Lectures (Final exam / Final pass)	
Grade 5:	at least 95% of the final exam positive, very good mark for other activities
Grade 4,5:	at least 85% of the final exam positive, good/very good mark for other activities
Grade 4:	at least 75% of the final exam positive, good mark for other activities
Grade 3,5:	at least 65% of the final exam positive, satisfactory mark for other activities
Grade 3:	at least 55% of the final exam positive, satisfactory mark for other activities

9. Literature

Basic literature

1. The Student's Companion to Social Policy, 6th Edition, Pete Alcock (Editor), Tina Haux (Editor), Vikki McCall (Editor), Margaret May (Editor), Wiley-Blackwell 2022
2. Paul Spicker, Social Policy. Theory and practice, Policy Press, 2014
3. David Garland, The Welfare State. A very short Introduction, Oxford 2016

Supplementary literature

1. Patricia Kennett, Comparative social policy. Theory and research, Open University Press, Buckingham 2001

Additional aids

<https://www.sgi-network.org/2022/Publications>

<https://www.oecdbetterlifeindex.org>

https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/social-issues-migration-health/data/oecd-social-and-welfare-statistics_socwel-data-en

11. Information about academic teachers

The person responsible for the card

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