

**Title of the course:** Comparative Migration and Immigration Policy

**Name of the Chair of the course:** Professor EUGENIO PIZZIMENTI

**Compulsory/optional course:** COMPULSORY

**Year of the course and semester:** Second Term

**ECTS credit:** 6

**Number of hours:** 42

## **General information and objective of the course**

Migration and immigration are key-issues within the institutional agenda of contemporary liberal-democracies. The aim of the course is to enable students to analyse the themes and questions related to migration and immigration through the lenses of political science.

The course will focus on the policies adopted by the States and International Organizations since the beginning of the Nineties. The research questions to be addressed are the following: 1) what do we study when facing the problems of immigration?; 2) which are the main consequences of migration and immigration in terms of intra and inter-State politics and policies? 3) do migration and immigration need to be studied through new concepts and approaches?

Particular attention will be devoted to the multi-level settings that characterize migration and immigration policies and to the dynamics of the relations between actors operating at different territorial levels. To this aim, the course will help students to identify and compare the main guidelines and policies adopted by international organizations and States, to assess similarities and differences in policy planning, implementation and evaluation in the field.

Drawing on theories and methods of comparative politics, the course will provide students with a tool-box oriented to the analysis and planning of interventions in the migration/immigration policy domain. This expertise shall consent students to take up careers in international organizations (both scientific and humanitarian) as well as in the field of cultural mediation.

## **Material and structure of the course**

The program is made up of the following topics:

- Introduction to basic Comparative Politics
- Introduction to basic Policy Analysis;
- Analysis of Migration and Immigration Policy making in Europe;
- Analysis of the Politics of Migration and Immigration in Europe;
- Analysis of the Politics of Migration in Multi-level States;

Main text books:

- Geddes, A. and P. Scholten (2016), *The politics of migration and immigration in Europe*. Second Edition, London: Sage. Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11;
- Zincone, G., Penninx, R. and M. Bokkert (eds) (2011), *Migration Policymaking in Europe*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press. Introduction, Chapter 2, Chapter 7, Conclusions;
- Hepburn, E and R. Zapata-Barrero (eds) (2014), *The Politics of Immigration in Multi-level States*. Basingstoke: Palgrave-MacMillan. Chapters 1, 2, 3.

Further readings (in Italian):

- Lanzalaco, L. e A. Prontera (2012), *Politiche Pubbliche Comparate*. Bologna, Il Mulino (pp. 13-196);
- Ambrosini, M. (2005), *Sociologia delle migrazioni*. Bologna, Il Mulino. Capitoli VIII e IX (pp. 199-246);

### **Pre-requisites, exams and assessment**

- Students are required to have a basic knowledge of the main theories, concepts and methods of comparative politics and policy analysis: nevertheless, the course will also address these points.
- To verify knowledge, students attending classes may take written mid-term exam that consists in open questions. To be admitted to the final written exam students must have obtained a vote equal or higher than 18 in the mid-term exam. The final grade will be supplemented by the oral examination.
- Upon Italian student's request, the exam can be taken in Italian.

### **Office hours**

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