

# COURSE DETAIL

## POLITICAL ECONOMY OF WELFARE SYSTEMS

**Country**

Italy

**Host Institution**

University of Bologna

**Program(s)**

University of Bologna

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science Economics

**UCEAP Course Number**

157

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

POLITICAL ECONOMY OF WELFARE SYSTEMS

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

POL ECON WELFARE

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## **Course Description**

This is a graduate level course that is part of the Laurea Magistrale program. The course is intended for advanced level students only. Enrollment is by consent of the instructor. The course is designed to explore the frontiers of interaction between politics and markets. It addresses the factors underlying cross national variation in economic performance and income inequality by investigating the ways in which the international economy affects state autonomy, the welfare state and the politics of income redistribution. The course is structured around two key questions: to what extent do differences in institutional settings shape fundamentally different models of democratic capitalism; what is the role of institutions, firms and labor unions in determining the different arrangements in capitalist countries. This course examines cross-national evolution and variation in welfare states in industrialized countries and especially in Europe. Topics covered include: a comparison of the political economy of welfare states; differences in welfare state models; the extent to which differences in institutional settings, coalition politics, and economics shape fundamentally different models of welfare states. The methodology is comparative with a focus on theoretical models.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

66710

### **Host Institution Course Title**

POLITICAL ECONOMY OF WELFARE SYSTEMS (LM)

### **Host Institution Course Details**

### **Host Institution Campus**

SCIENZE POLITICHE

### **Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

International Relations

**Course Last Reviewed**

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