

# Théorie du travail social

## Lecturer

Pierre Brasseur (Coordinator)

## Course mnemonic

SOCA-D495

## ECTS credits

5 credits

## Language(s) of instruction

French

## Course period

Second term

## Course content

The course consists of three sections.

The first section addresses theoretical and epistemological aspects of the social work as well as the place of the discipline among social sciences. The course defines the concept of social work and examines the challenges of knowledge and the debates that social work has faced since the 1980's (culture of "practicity", universal knowledge vs situated knowledge, institutionalization of a science) and of the development of a specific research area.

The second section deals with the main transformations of public authorities intervention and organisation of social work. It analyses the bases of the Welfare State set up after the World War II and the impact of neoliberal policies on industrial relations, on the rationalization of social work and on public authorities approach (territorial and managerial approach).

The third section recalls the historical evolution of the social work including the social construction of social issues as well as the strategies of social workers and the evolution of professions. The course concludes on example of foreign approaches of social work in Europe and North America.

## Objectives (and/or specific learning outcomes)

The aim of the course is to analyse, on the one hand, social policies and public authorities intervention and, on the other hand, activities and practices of social workers.

The course must help students both to seize the complexity of social issues of social groups who are the object of social policies, and to understand the strategies of social workers set up to integrate the most weakened social groups.

## Teaching method and learning activities

ex-cathedra course

## References, bibliography and recommended reading

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## Other information

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## Evaluation method(s)

written examination

## Evaluation method(s) (additional information)

Written examination

## Main language(s) of evaluation

French

## Programmes

Programmes proposing this course at the faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences

MA-TRAV | Master in Labour sciences | finalité Professional (evening schedule)/unit 1

