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Academic subject	Political science		
Degree course	Political sci	ence	
Academic Year	A.A. 2022-23 - Second year		
European Credit Transfer and Accumu		ulation	8
System (ECTS)			
Language	Italian		
Academic calendar (starting and		I semester	
ending date)			
Attendance	Strongly recommended		

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	Microsoft Teams platform.	

Syllabus	
Learning Objectives	The aim of the course is to provide students with the fundamentals of political science, with special focus on its characterizing topics and its conceptual framework
Course prerequisites	None
Contents	The subject of the course is an introduction to the topics of Political Science. In the first part, the institutional one, the topics of Political Science (forms of state and government, electoral systems, political participation, parties and movements,) will be addressed in a thematic way. In the second part, the key themes of political theory will be discussed through the method of matrices (conceptual maps).
Books and bibliography	Cotta M., Della Porta D. e M. Morlino, <i>Scienza politica</i> , Il Mulino, Bologna, 2008. Calise M., Lowi T.J., e F. Musella, <i>Concetti chiave. Manuale di scienza politica</i> , Il Mulino, 2016.
Additional materials	

Work sched	ule		
Total	Lectures	Hands on (Laboratory, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours
Hours			
200	64		136
ECTS			





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Teaching strategy				
		Frontal t	eaching.	
Expected lear	rning			
outcomes				
Knowledge a			om different	
understandin	ig on:	sources		
Applying kno	owledge	• Apply what it has been learned in a real situation, identifying the areas of		
and understa	nding on:	knowled	ge that best enable them to deal with it.	
Soft skills		Making	g informed judgments and choices	
		• Commi	to interpret information critically and make decisi unicating knowledge and understanding	ions accordingly.
		- Commi	convey information and ideas in both oral and write	tten form in a clear
			and formally correct manner, expressing them in to	
			the specialist or non-specialist interlocutors in the	field.
		Capacities to continue learning		
		-	recognise gaps and identify effective strategies for	acquiring new
			knowledge and skills.	

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Assessment and		
feedback		
Methods of assessment	Oral exam	
Evaluation criteria	Knowledge and understanding	
	 Learning the fundamentals of political science in relation to different topics and approaches to the study of political phenomena. Applying knowledge and understanding 	
	 Ability to independently establish logical links between related concepts, even if not sequentially articulated, especially concerning the content of the institutional part (especially referring to the main theories of political science) with the theoretical part of application to conceptual maps. Autonomy of judgment 	
	 Ability to take a position on the conceptual contents of the programme and development of an autonomous critical sense, especially in relation to the political problems of Western societies. Communicating knowledge and understanding 	
	- Ability to communicate one's thoughts correctly and correctness in the articulation of language and possession of the basic vocabulary of Political Science.	
	Capacities to continue learning Ability to learn about the subject matter and to restructure information according to the issues at hand.	
Criteria for assessment and attribution of the final mark	The final mark is given through a point system, with 30 points being the best grade and 18 the minimum passing grade. Hence, the exam is considered passed when the mark is greater than or equal to 18/30. The oral test will focus on the topics indicated in the programme and will be aimed at verifying the student's knowledge of the subject, as well as his capacity for argumentation and independent judgement.	
Additional information		



