



COURSE OF STUDY: INTERCLASS SOCIAL SERVICE SCIENCES AND SOCIOLOGY (SSSS L-39/L40) COURSE IN SOCIOLOGY (L-40)

ACADEMIC YEAR: 2024-25

ACADEMIC SUBJECT: CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND PARENTING

General information		
Year of the course	Second	
Academic calendar (starting and	I semester (september 16 th 2024 – december 13 th 2024)	
ending date)	II semester (february 10 th 2025 – may 16 th 2025)	
Credits (CFU/ETCS):	15	
SSD	M-PSI/04 Child development and parenting	
Language	Italian	
Mode of attendance	Not mandatory	

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etc.)	https://www.uniba.it/it/docenti/costantini-alessandro

Work schedu	ile		
Hours			
Total	Lectures	Hands-on (laboratory, workshops, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours
375	120		255
CFU/ETCS			
15	15		

Learning Objectives	The teaching aims to provide the student component with adequate knowledge	
	and skills relating to developmental psychology. The course also aims to delve into	
	the concepts of parental function and the models and methods of observation and	
	evaluation of adult-child interaction. Finally, the course aims to delve deeper into	
	adoptive parenting and forms of extra-family care	
Course prerequisites	Course prerequisites Basic knowledge in the disciplines of Developmental and Educational Psycholog	
•	(SSD M-PSI/04) and passing exam of General Psychology.	

Teaching strategie	
Expected learning outcomes in	
terms of	
Knowledge and understanding	Knowledge and understanding of the child development and parenting and of the
on:	main procedures and instruments to assess child's cognitive, communicative-
	linguistic, social, emotional, and affective development.
Applying knowledge and	1. ability to read and interpret risk and protective factors in the development of
understanding on:	child; 2. Ability to understand during simulated experiences in the classroom, the
	main stages of the child's development and the risk factors of parenthood. 3 Ability
	to understand the differences between foster care and adoption.





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Soft skills	Making informed judgments and choices: 1. capacity to observe and assess	
	children's and caregivers' behaviours in daily contexts; 2. Capacity to project and	
	implement an intervention protocol according to the needs of the child based on	
	the study of the main theories.	
	Communicating knowledge and understanding: 1. Expertise in using the subject's	
	specialized language.	
	Capacities to continue learning: 1. Ability to know developmental milestones of the	
	child and parenting in conditions of risk.	
Syllabus		
Content knowledge		
Texts and readings	Schaffer, H.R. (2004). Psicologia dello sviluppo: Un'introduzione.	
	Milano: Raffaello Cortina Editore. Pagine: 442, euro 29.90.	
	Cassibba, Elia (2007). L'affidamento familiare. Carocci ed.	
	➤ Simonelli A. a cura di (2014). La funzione genitoriale. Milano: Raffaello	
	Cortina Editore	
Notes, additional materials		
Repository	Reference texts are available in the department library. For information, please	
	consult the following link: https://www.uniba.it/it/ricerca/dipartimenti/scienze-	
	politiche/biblioteca/biblioteche-1/servizi-offerti	

Assessment	
Assessment methods	Oral examination
Assessment criteria	Knowledge and understanding: the following knowledge will be assessed through practical exercises and cases: knowledge and understanding of the observational procedure of child development and some procedures and instruments to assess child's cognitive, communicative-linguistic, social, emotional, and affective development.
	Applying knowledge and understanding: the following abilities will be assessed through practical exercises and cases: 1. ability to read risk and protective factors in the development of child.2. Ability to know during simulated experiences in the classroom, some techniques for the child's psychological.
	Autonomy of judgment: the following abilities will be assessed through practical exercises and cases: 1. capacity to observe and assess children's and caregivers' behaviours in daily contexts; 2. Capacity to project and implement an intervention for the child according to the needs.
	Communicating knowledge and understanding: the following abilities will be assessed through practical exercises and cases: 1. Expertise in using the subject's specialized language.
	Communication skills: the following abilities will be assessed through practical exercises and cases: 1. Expertise in using the subject's specialized language.
	Capacities to continue learning: the following abilities will be assessed through practical exercises and cases: 1. ability to understand the main theories of child's development; 2. Ability to know during simulated experiences in the classroom, the main risk factors of parenthood and to know the main assumptions of foster care and adoption.
Final exam and grading criteria	The method of verifying the expected learning outcomes is represented by the oral exam, which consists of a minimum of three questions on the teaching program. The vote is expressed in thirtieths. Grade is based on: knowledge of the programme; accuracy in exposure; ability to critically process the acquired knowledge.





The criteria followed for the evaluation of the learning outcomes expressed out of

thirty are: Insufficient: 0-17

Lack, incomplete and inadequate knowledge of the fundamental topics contained in the program, use of inappropriate vocabulary

Sufficient: 18-20

Sufficient knowledge of the core topics contained in the program and overall adequacy of the vocabulary used

Fair: 21-23

Discreet knowledge of the fundamental topics contained in the programme, discrete ability to argue and connect the various topics, through the use of adequate vocabulary

Good: 24-26

Good knowledge of the topics contained in the program, good in-depth and critical skills, through the use of adequate vocabulary

Distinguished: 27-28

More than good knowledge of all the topics contained in the program, more than good ability to deepen, to connect the different topics, to criticize and master the vocabulary

Great: 29-30

Excellent knowledge of all the topics contained in the program, excellent in-depth analysis, connection between the various topics, as well as criticism and command of the vocabulary

Excellent: 30L

Excellent knowledge of all the topics contained in the program, excellent in-depth analysis, connection between the different topics, criticism and command of the vocabulary

Further information