

Sociopolitical Basis of Education

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Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2500260 Social Education	FB	2	A
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Use of Languages

Principal working language: catalan (cat)
Some groups entirely in English: No
Some groups entirely in Catalan: Yes
Some groups entirely in Spanish: No

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Prerequisites

It is particularly recommended to have passed the subject "Education and Educational Contexts" in first grade.

Objectives and Contextualisation

The subject gives a sound overview of the concepts, the approaches and the sociopolitical reality of education, in formal settings as well as non-formal settings. Furthermore this final aim, the subject gives a ground for contents to be taught in higher courses. The main goal of the subject is to understand and to analyse a territory, in multilevel approach (local, regional, national...), as well a concret reality, in a global socioeducational framework.

Other focused aims are:

- To know the theoretical background of Sociology of Education and Educational Policy.
- To enlarge the knowledge about the educational reality, in a sintetical way coming from a sociopolitical perspective.
- To develop the critical thinking about the current issues in education.
- To understand the origin and the consequences of social, legal and political boundaries shaping the pedagogical activity.

Competences

Social Education

- Act with ethical responsibility and respect for fundamental rights and duties, diversity and democratic values.
- Develop processes to obtain, record, analyse and make decisions for educational action.
- Generate innovative and competitive proposals in research and professional activity.
- Make changes to methods and processes in the area of knowledge in order to provide innovative responses to society's needs and demands.
- Master the theoretical and applied knowledge of Educational Sciences to develop the capacity for analysis and observation of the social and educational reality.
- Take sex- or gender-based inequalities into consideration when operating within one's own area of knowledge.
- Work in teams and with teams (in the same field or interdisciplinary).

Education Studies

- Act with ethical responsibility and respect for fundamental rights and duties, diversity and democratic values.
- Analyse and understand the theoretical, historical, cultural, political, environmental and legal references and situations involved in education and training proposals.
- Identify educational approaches and problems, inquire about them: obtain, record, process and interpret relevant information to issue supported judgments that enhance education and training.
- Introduce changes in the methods and processes of the field of knowledge to provide innovative responses to the needs and demands of society.
- Manage information related to the professional environment for decision-making and reporting.
- Take sex- or gender-based inequalities into consideration when operating within one's own area of knowledge.
- Work in teams and with teams (in the same field or interdisciplinary).

Learning Outcomes

1. Analyse a situation and identify its points for improvement.
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3. Analyse the sex- or gender-based inequalities and the gender biases present in one's own area of knowledge.
4. Assessing the value of correction, adaptation and acceptability in oral and written productions.
5. Communicate using language that is not sexist or discriminatory.
6. Coordinate with other people to study a territory.
7. Describe, analyse and present ideas and proposals in the field of education policy and sociology of education, based on scientific pedagogical literature existing today.
8. Drawing up a map of an area's socio-educational institutions.
9. Identify situations in which a change or improvement is needed.
10. Identify the principal forms of sex- or gender-based inequality and discrimination present in society.
11. Weigh up the impact of any long- or short-term difficulty, harm or discrimination that could be caused to certain persons or groups by the actions or projects.
12. Writing reports about the socio-educational context in an area based on the data obtained from this area.

Content

The subject has three modules: Sociology (module A), Education Policy (module B), Socioeducational analysis of one territory (module C)

A) Sociology

A.1) Socialization: agencies and processes

Social roles acquisition, deviance, resocialisation and total institutions

School as a secondary socialisation

A.2) Social structure in advanced societies and Catalonia

From industrial to informational capitalism

Social stratification and schooling

Evolution of poverty, marginalization and social exclusion

A.3) Welfare state and social policies

Market, state, third sector and new forms of governance

Ideology frameworks and social and educational policies

A.4) Social inequalities and territory

Urban segregation and social and educational impact

Social indicators at local level

B) Education Policy

B.1) Theoretical concepts of education policy

State, policy, politics and educational system

Education policy: goals and key concepts

Educational reforms and decision-making

B.2) Education policy in the Catalan and Spanish contexts

Education policies: Spanish context

Education policies: Catalan context

B.3) Education policy and International Organisms

Education policy and globalization

Education policies: International Organisms and their contributions

B.4) Education policies and their influence on a territory

Education policies in the local context

Local Government Education Policy in Catalonia and other Autonomous Communities

C) Socioeducational analysis of one territory

C.1) Statistics analysis at local level

C.2) Fields and users typologies in socioeducational intervention

C.3) Socioeducational network at local level

Methodology

Students are the protagonists in the teaching-learning process and on this basis a variety of methodologies will be used in this course:

Lectures with a large group: Talks by lecturers about basic agenda items. During these sessions the entire group will be together in the class. It allows the explanation of the main contents through an open and active students' participation.

Seminars sections A and B: Workspaces in smaller groups supervised by lecturers. In order to go deeper into the contents previously addressed within the entire group; documents analysis and case resolution activities are developed in these smaller groups.

Seminars section C: Workspaces in small groups supervised by lecturers. In these seminars, students are offered tools and methodologies to develop their collaborative projects.

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Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
1. Enlarged grup module A	30	1.2	7
2. Seminars module A	15	0.6	7
3. Enlarged group module B	30	1.2	7
4. Seminars module B	15	0.6	7
5. Enlarged group module C	7	0.28	8, 4
6. Seminars module C	15	0.6	6, 8, 12, 4
Type: Supervised			
Supervision and guidelines for assignments	75	3	6, 7, 8, 12, 4
Type: Autonomous			
Individual assignments and working groups	188	7.52	6, 7, 8, 12, 4

Assessment

The module A and the module B have two assessment tasks: an examination and a portfolio of seminar assignments, according to the teacher explanations at the begining of the course. To be allowed to do the examinations, it is necessary to give all seminar assignments in each module. The minimum mark of the examination is 5 (out of 10) to calculate the average with the seminar assignments marks. The global seminar assignments must have a minimum of 5 (out of 10). The average of module A and module B marks counts the 80% of the subject. In case of failing one exam, a re-sit exam will be made available. The seminar assignments could be done in second chance.

The exam date for module A will be within two academic weeks after having completed module A, the exam date for module B will be within two academic weeks after having completed module B. The retake date will be three academic weeks after the module B exam.

The assessment task of module C is a report about one local setting. The report will have two parts, one in each term. The first part could be improved, not the second one.

To pass the subject, it is necessary to have a minimum of 5 in the average of module A and module B, and a minimum of 5 in the module C.

The marks for each paper or exam will be available within 25 academic days after their submission.

Attendance to lectures is compulsory. Students must attend a minimum of 80% of sessions, otherwise they will be deemed as "non evaluable". In accordance with UAB regulations, plagiarism or copying of any seminar exercises will be penalised, the exercise will be not valid and must be repeated. The examination of the affected module will be only possible in the re-sit date. If plagiarism is detected in the assignment of module C, it will be suspended and will have to be done again. An extended definition of plagiarism is available in: http://wuster.uab.es/web_argumenta_obert/unit_20/sot_2_01.html

All activities (individual and group) will take into account linguistic correctness, editing and formal aspects of presentation. Students must be able to express themselves fluently and correctly and must show a high degree of understanding of academic texts. An activity may be returned (not assessed) or suspended if the teacher considers that it does not meet these requirements.

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Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
1. Exam module A contents	30%	0	0	3, 5, 7, 10, 4
2. Seminar exercises module A	10%	0	0	3, 5, 7, 10, 4
3. Exam module B contents	30%	0	0	3, 5, 7, 10, 4
4. Seminar exercises module B	10%	0	0	3, 5, 7, 10, 4
5. Report module C	20%	0	0	2, 1, 6, 9, 8, 12, 11, 4

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Valdés, Manuel Tomás (2019) "Diferencias autonómicas en la composición de la desigualdad en la expectativa de matriculación universitaria: efectos primarios y efectos secundarios", a *Revista de Sociología de la Educación-RASE*, 12 (2), 209-227.

For the seminars in modules A and B, there will be compulsory readings which will be specified on the starting day of each module.

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Software

No specific software is needed for this course.