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THEORETICAL APPROACHES TO SOCIAL POLICY AND THE WELFARE STATE

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compulsory (C) or selection (S) course	year	winter (W) or spring (S) semester
C	2nd	S

The course aims at the critical presentation of mainstream and alternative theoretical approaches to social policy and the welfare state. This involves the social democratic and liberal / neo-liberal divide, as well as Marxist, feminist and poststructuralist critiques, including the views of social movements and service users, posing questions about the relevance and reappraisal of private public, individual-collective and formal-informal divisions in social policy.

Reading list:

- Lewis, G., Gerwitz, Sh. & Clarke, J. 2005. *Rethinking Social Policy*. Athens: Gutenberg (translated into Greek, title: *Social Policy, a Different Approach*).
- Stassinopoulou, O., 1996. *Issues of Contemporary Social Policy - From the Welfare State to "New" Welfare Pluralism*. Athens: Gutenberg (in Greek).
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