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FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIAL POLICY: THEORIES OF JUSTICE, EQUALITY AND RIGHTS

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compulsory (C) or selection (S) course	year	winter (W) or spring (S) semester
S	4th	S

This course examines some of the basic epistemological and philosophical foundations of social policy and its aim is to allow students to examine the philosophical and conceptual foundations of every social policy (since all normative philosophies are policies) through the reading of important contemporary thinkers (Rawls, Dworkin, Nozick, Sen etc.) and different theoretical approaches (liberalism, utilitarianism, Marxism, communitarianism etc.) in the area of Anglo – Saxon political philosophy. The course aims to discuss basic philosophical issues underlying all social policy such as justice, equality, choice, human – citizen rights, values and their foundations, public goods – solidarity, responsibility - public and private etc.

Reading list: - Kymlicka, W., 2005. *Contemporary Political Philosophy. An Introduction*. Athens: Polis (in Greek).