

SOCIAL POLICY MA
FINAL EXAM – CORE TOPICS

1. Social context of protection

- Historical development of social protection
- Fundamental societal and social movements, ideas, processes, and theories from the 19th century up to now (including the different political movements, human right movements, theories on social justice, ideas concerning the welfare state as well on globalization)
- Contemporary societal and political events.

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2. Social problems - societal responses

- Main theories of interpreting social problems
- The process of define and construct social problems
- Formulation and enforcement of claims to address the problem
- Analysis of the policy process, presentation of the factors affecting decision making

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3. Public policy analysis

- Need assessment
- Interest conflicts in society
- Strategic planning and program development
- Multidisciplinary research strategies, data collection and analysis, establishing evaluation criteria

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4. Analysing social and other human services

- Theories explaining the formation, change and development of service systems
- Factors that fundamentally determine the operation of the supply system (demand, supply, individual life situations, external environment, etc.)
- Analysis aspects of the services, difficulties of analysis, possible analysis methods
- Inherited anomalies in the care system (territorial inequalities, fulfillment of care obligations, etc.), characteristics, efficiency and effectiveness issues

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5. The protection of human rights.

- The relationship between fundamental human rights and social rights
- Social rights related to people's needs
- The assertion of human rights in your country of birth

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6. The economic background of social policy

- Definitions and interrelations among the concepts of Social policy, Market, and Economy
- The main approaches of Social Policy (the definitions and economic connections of the Pragmatic, the Functionalist, and the Dynamic approaches of Social Policy)
- The economic foundations and implications of the welfare state, social policy measures, and state intervention in market economies (welfare states and social models, the role of the economy in welfare state mechanism, the relative scarcity of resources, Opportunity Cost, the three most important economic questions, the main types of economic systems, the main reasons for the government's intervention, the role and main tasks of the government, market failures, and government failures, redistribution)
- Macroeconomic policy (Fiscal policy and Monetary policy), Economic policy, and Social policy

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7. Development and current trends of welfare state

- Welfare state - theories and typologies
- Main schemes of social protection
- Transformations on social policies, paradigm shift
- Retrenchment

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8. Social income transfers

- Theoretical framework for redistribution – typologies
- System of public finances
- Functions and principles of taxation
- Social policy principles and techniques
- Macroeconomic stabilisation function of welfare programmes
- Welfare benefits and labour market mechanisms

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