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Public and Social Policy (PSP) is a two-year English-language Master's degree programme fully accredited by the Czech Ministry of Education, which aims to provide students with current relevant knowledge of policy-making process and cultivate their analytical skills. It is taught at Charles University in Prague, Faculty of Social Sciences by members of the Institute of Sociological Studies (ISS).

The programme is developed in accordance with almost twenty years' experience with the Czech program on Public and Social Policy. It will, however, be supplemented by experience with already existing English courses and realized international research programs. Similarly, the comparative dimension will be enhanced. The theoretical grounds of the discipline will be covered especially in courses Public Policy a Social Policy. The knowledge about concrete policy domains will be provided in courses Educational Policy, Health Policy a Civil Society in Central Europe. Methodological knowledge and skills will be developed in courses Policy Analysis, Introduction to Social Research Methodology, Statistics in SPSS, Text, Narrative & Discourse Analysis a Diploma Seminar I a II. During the program, both individual and collective students work on concrete social and policy problems will be sustained.

The graduates of the programme will have current knowledge about policy-making process and they will be able to analyse these processes creatively and independently, using both quantitative and qualitative research methodology. Graduates of this program will attain the knowledge and skills required to gain employment as professionals not only in the public sector, but also in non-profit organizations and private companies.

To complete the programme the students must collect 120 ECTS credits, defend their Master's Thesis and pass the final state examination.

Study prerequisites. The PSP programme is open only to students who have already completed a Bachelors degree (or equivalent) in a related programme of study.

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Language of Instruction: English

Course Structure and Study Requirements:

Total number of all required credits (ECTS): 120

Defence of Master's Thesis

Final state examination

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JSM406	Statistics in SPSS	Soukup Schubert	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JSM437	CIVIL SOCIETY IN CENTRAL EUROPE	Frič	SS	2/0	Examination	6
JSM518	Public Policy	Potůček	WS	2/1	Examination	9
JSM519	Social Policy	Kotrusová Angelovská	SS	2/1	Examination	9
JSM602	Health Policy	Háva	WS	2/1	Examination	8
JSM685	Educational Policy	Veselý	SS	2/1	Examination	8

JSM691	<u>Policy Analysis</u>	<u>Nekola Veselý</u>	SS	2/1	Examination	9
JSM692	<u>Introduction to Social Research Methodology</u>	<u>Jeřábek</u>	WS	2/2	Examination	10
JSM693	<u>Text, Narrative & Discourse Analysis</u>	<u>Hájek</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	8
JSM694	<u>Diploma Seminar I</u>	<u>Ochrana Dobiášová</u>	WS	0/2	Course credit	5
JSM695	<u>Diploma Seminar II</u>	<u>Ochrana Dobiášová</u>	SS	0/2	Course credit	5

Compulsory Courses Total ECTS 83

WS = Winter Semester (Oct. - Feb.),
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Zk = examination,
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JEB025	<u>Public Finance</u>	<u>Švarcová</u>	SS	2/0	Examination	5
JMM530	<u>European Comparative Politics and Society</u>	<u>Rovná</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JSM032	<u>Applied Social Research</u>	<u>Remr</u>	WS	2/1	Examination	6
JSM421	<u>Contemporary social theory</u>	<u>Balon</u>	SS	2/0	Examination	7
JSM480	<u>Evaluation Research</u>	<u>Remr</u>	WS	2/0	Examination	7
JSM603	<u>International comparison of health care systems</u>	<u>Háva</u>	WS	2/0	macc	8
JSM604	<u>Health Economics</u>	<u>Háva</u>	SS	2/1	Examination	8
JSM628	<u>European policies and practice towards ethnic minorities</u>	<u>Bernard Thompson Mikes</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	9
JSM657	<u>Welfare State in the Age of Retrenchment: Theory and Practice</u>	<u>Novotný</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	8

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