

Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg

Professur für Politikwissenschaft, insb. international vergleichende Politikfeldanalyse

PWM-PF-HS4 Hauptseminar Politikfeldanalyse IV:

Global History of Social Policy, 19th–20th Centuries: International Dynamics and Transnational Actors

Lecturer: Dr Michele Mioni

Description: Main Seminar (Master's Seminar Policy Analysis IV)

Hours and Room: Mi 16:00 - 18:00, [F21/03.79](#);

The Einführungsveranstaltung will be held online, the other seminars will take place in presence
Einzeltermin am 26.5.2023 10:00 - 14:00, F21/02.31

Credits: 8

Evaluation and Workload: Students are expected to read papers and chapters assigned for each class to actively participate in the course. Depending on the number of students, the evaluation will consist of:

Presentation of the assigned readings, i.e., summary, research questions, critical analysis, in-class discussion (30% of the final grade);

Short research paper (8,000 words) on the topics studied in class (70% of the final grade).

Language of the Course: English

Short Description

The seminar provides a historical overview of welfare state developments in Europe and worldwide. It spans from the early social insurance schemes to the retrenchment programmes in the neo-liberal era. The seminar emphasises the close interrelation between welfare state and external processes. It thus focuses on the supranational dynamics that shaped welfare policies, as well as on the actors that globalised social policy. The course aims to offer theoretical, interpretive, and methodological tools to understand this interconnectedness between national and global processes remoulding social policies in the 19th and 20th centuries. Selected case-studies will be analysed and discussed by using primary sources, historical research, and social/political sciences literature.

Suggested Readings

Peter Baldwin, *The Politics of Social Solidarity: Class Bases of the European Welfare State, 1875-1975* (New York: Cambridge University Press, New York, 1990): 1-53.

Stephan Haggard, Robert Kaufman, *Development, Democracy, and Welfare States. Latin America, East Asia, and Eastern Europe* (Princeton-Oxford: Princeton University Press, 2008): 27-78.

19.04.2023 1. **Online Seminar** Introduction: Presentation of the Course, Reading List, Exam

26.04.2023 2. Early Social Reform in the United States and Germany, 1860s-1900

Readings:

Theda Skocpol, *Protecting Soldiers and Mothers* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1992): 525-539.

Jürgen Tampke, "Bismarck's Social Legislation: A Genuine Breakthrough?", in *The Emergence of the Welfare State in Britain and Germany 1850–1950*, edited by J.W. Mommsen (London: Croom Helm, 1981): 71–83.

- 17.05.2023 3. The *Welfare Liberal Reforms* in Great Britain: “National Efficiency” in the Age of Imperialism, 1906-1914
Readings:
 E.P. Hennock, “The Origins of British National Insurance and the German Precedent 1880–1914”, in *The Emergence of the Welfare State in Britain and Germany 1850–1950*, edited by J.W. Mommsen (London: Croom Helm, 1981): 84-106.
 Geoffrey Searle, *The Quest for National Efficiency* (London: The Ashfield Press, 1971): 34-53.
- 24.05.2023 4. Unionism and International Organisations in the Interwar Period
Readings:
 Sandrine Kott, “Constructing a European Social Model: The Fight for Social Insurance in the Interwar Period”, in *ILO Histories. Essays on the International Labour Organization and its impact on the world during the twentieth Century*, edited by J. Van Daele, M. Rodriguez-Garcia, Geert van Goethem, M. Van der Linden (Bern, Peter Lang, 2010): 173-195.
 Limin Teh, “The International Labour Organization and the Labour Question in Republican China, 1919-1938”, in *The Internationalisation of the Labour Question. Ideological Antagonism, Workers’ Movements and the ILO since 1919* (London: Palgrave, 2020): 279-300.
- 26.05.2023 5. Social Policy and Systemic Competition in the Interwar Years
Readings:
 Norbert Götz, Kiran Klaus Patel, “Facing the Fascist Model: Discourse and the Construction of Labour Services in the USA and Sweden in the 1930s and 1940s”, *Journal of Contemporary History*, 1 (2006): 57-73.
 Sandrine Kott, “Competing Internationalisms: The Third Reich and the International Labour Organization (ILO)”, in *Nazism across Borders*, edited by K.K. Patel, S. Kott (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018): 29-52.
- 26.05.2023 6. The New Deal and Social Reforms in Latin America and the “Anglosphere”, 1930s
Readings:
 Kiran Klaus Patel, *The New Deal: A Global History* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2016): 121-171.
 Véronique Plata-Stenger, *Social Reform, Modernization and Technical Diplomacy* (Oldenbourg: De Gruyter, 2020): 61-90.
- 31.05.2023 7. The Second World War and the Rise of Social Security, 1939-1947
Readings:
 Maurizio Vaudagna, “The United States and Social Rights at Home and Abroad: the Rise and Decline of “Freedom from Want” (1941-1952)”, in *The New Deal and the American Welfare State. Essays from a Transatlantic Perspective (1933-1945)*, edited by Maurizio Vaudagna (New York: Otto Editions, 2014): 247-274.
 Maurizio Vaudagna, “Social Protection and the Promise of a Secure Future in Wartime Europe and America”, in *The New Deal and the American Welfare State. Essays from a Transatlantic Perspective (1933-1945)*, edited by Maurizio Vaudagna (New York: Otto Editions, 2014): 275-294.

- 07.06.2023 8. Welfare State and the Cold War: The West and the Communist Bloc, 1947-1973
Readings:
 Klaus Petersen, "The early Cold War and the Western welfare state", *Journal of International and Comparative Social Policy*, 29 (3/2013): 226-240.
 Michel Christian, Sandrine Kott, Ondřej Matějka, "International Organizations in the Cold War: The Circulation of Experts Beyond the East-West Divide", *Studia Territorialia* 17, no.1 (2017): 35-60.
- 14.06.2023 9. Welfare State and Decolonisation: Technical Assistance and Modernisation, 1947-1973
Readings:
 Daniel Maul, "The ILO, Asia and the beginning of Technical Assistance, 1945-19602, in *The ILO from Geneva to the Pacific Rim*, edited by N. Lichtenstein and J. Jensen, (London: Palgrave MacMillan, 2016): 110-133.
 Andreas Hilger, "Communism, Decolonization and the Third World", in *The Cambridge History of Communism*, edited by N. Naimark, S. Pons, S. Quinn-Judge (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017): 317-340.
- 21.06.2023 10. Neo-Liberalism from Ideas to Policies, 1973-1989
Readings:
 David Harvey, *A Brief History of Neoliberalism* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005): 64-86.
 David Edgerton, "What came between new liberalism and neoliberalism? Rethinking Keynesianism, the welfare state and social democracy", in *The Neoliberal Age? Britain since the 1970s*, edited by A. Davies, B. Jackson, F. Sutcliffe-Braithwaite (London: UCL Press, 2021): 30-51.
- 05.07.2022 11. "Washington Consensus" and Welfare State in Developing Countries, 1989-2000s
Readings:
 Amy Offner, *Sorting out the Mixed Economy: The Rise and Fall of Welfare and Developmental States in the Americas* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2019): 275-290.
 Charles Gore, "The Rise and Fall of the Washington Consensus as a Paradigm for Developing Countries", *World Development*, 28 (5/2000): 789-804.
- 12.07.2022 12. Reconsidering the "European Social Model", 1992-2010s
Readings:
 Bo Stråth, "Social Models? A critical View on a Concept from a Historical and European Perspective," *European Review*, 15 (3/2007): 335-352.
 Alessandra Bitumi, "For the Soul of Europe. Jacques Delors's Narrative Battle against Reaganomics", *Journal of American History and Politics*, 3 (1/2020): 127-137.
- 19.07.2022 13. Closing Session