



UNIVERSITATEA „ALEXANDRU IOAN CUZA” din IAȘI

FACULTATEA de ECONOMIE ȘI ADMINISTRAREA AFACERILOR

TUTORIAL COURSE FORM

2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

Name of the tutorial course (incoming Erasmus/exchange students)	Sustainable Development and the European Social Model
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Consultation days/hours	Weekdays (upon prior scheduling)
Semester(s) in which the tutorial course is available	1 st or 2 nd sem.
No. of ECTS credits	6
Level of study (bachelor/master/PhD)	bachelor/master
Short description/Contents	<p>The main objective of this course is to familiarize students with the issues related to sustainable development and the European social model and the European initiatives and policies to promote sustainability, poverty reduction and social inclusion.</p> <p>On completion of the course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• understand the framework of European social model and issues related to sustainable development.• define, explain and give examples of concepts and principles of sustainable development.• identify and compare welfare models and discuss aspects of the challenges in a European welfare context• critically analyse social welfare policies and the effects of various policies• understand the social policies of other European countries and welfare systems.
Assessment/Evaluation	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Individual case study report on a given topic - 50%2. Individual essay on a given topic - 35%3. Four individual Q&A Sessions - Quality of arguments - 15%
Bibliography	<p>Main references:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Whyman, P., Baimbridge, M. & Mullen, A. (2014). <i>Revisiting the European Social Model(s) Debate : Challenges and Prospects</i>. L'Europe en Formation, 372, 8-32.2. Aiginger, K & Leoni, T (2009), <i>Typologies of Social Models in Europe</i>. Researchgate.3. Barbier, J.C., Rogowski, R. Colomb, F. (2015) <i>The Sustainability of the European Social Model. EU Governance, Social Protection and Employment Policies in Europe</i>. UK, Edward Elgar Publ. Ltd4. Rijnhout, L., Zondervan, R. (2018), <i>Advancing sustainable development goals within Europe and globally: the role of the EU</i>.5. Vanhercke, B., Ghailani, D. Sabato, S. (2018) <i>Social policy in the European Union: state of play 2018</i>. Brussels, ETUI



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Observations

Topics include:

- The European economic and social model
- Social policies and European Welfare Systems
- Sustainable Development – a multidimensional concept.
- Sustainable Development in the European space
- Challenges to the European model