

**COURSE DATA****DATA SUBJECT**

**Code:** 33513  
**Name:** Introduction to the law of social protection  
**Cycle:** Undergraduate Studies  
**ECTS Credits:** 6  
**Academic year:** 2025-26

**STUDY (S)**

| Degree                       | Center                       | Acad. year | Period         |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| 1311 - Degree in Social Work | Facultat de Ciències Socials | 3          | Second quarter |

**SUBJECT-MATTER**

| Degree                       | Subject-matter                        | Character  |
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| 1311 - Degree in Social Work | Introduction to social protection law | COMPULSORY |

**COORDINATION**

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**SUMMARY**

The subject *Introduction to Social Protection Law* is part of the integrating core subjects of the module Legal and Organizational Instruments in Social work. It is worth 6 ECTS credits and compulsory.

The subject intends to provide students with basic knowledge on the legal conditions within the traditional term "social law" and the achievement of objectives since the aims of social intervention are, among others, the resolution of problems that arise from human relations, as well as the strengthening of welfare and social cohesion.

Within what is usually denominated "social law" is the notion of "social protection law" which, according to many sources (political, legal and doctrinal), must not only be understood as the set of legal regulations that make up the social security system, but also, in a more comprehensive way, as the set of legal mechanisms aimed at providing real equality and improvement of social solidarity.

Yet, and given that in order to fulfil these objectives the public powers implement many and diverse policies to different fields, the subject leaves some of them out (housing, education or transport) and focuses on those related to social work (provision of services). Work and conditions that respect real equality are one of the first and main tools in the fight against exclusion and the encouragement of social cohesion.



The present subject also intends to offer useful legal information, regardless of the specialization itinerary chosen by the students. Issues like health protection (both preventive and palliative); immigration laws and free movement of workers and services, both within and outside the EU; mechanisms to reconcile work and family life; protection against discrimination of any kind (sex, race, sexual orientation, age, disability).

## PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

## RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER SUBJECTS OF THE SAME DEGREE

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

## OTHER REQUIREMENTS

## COMPETENCES / LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Apply social work techniques to work effectively within systems, networks and interdisciplinary and multi-organisational teams.

Collaborate effectively in work teams, assuming responsibilities and leadership roles and contributing to collective improvement and development.

Contribute to the management and direction of welfare entities.

Define proposals for resolution in situations of risk after identifying and assessing the nature of the risk.

Demonstrate critical and self-critical thinking in the field of the degree programme, considering aspects such as professional ethics, moral values and the social implications of the different activities carried out.

Demonstrate professional competence in the practice of social work.

Develop actions related to the management of resources and services, supervising their effectiveness and ensuring their quality.

Generate social histories and reports, ensuring they are comprehensive, reliable, accessible and up to date, to assist in decision-making and professional assessments.

Identify intervention methodologies in social work for interaction, support and resolution of needs and problem situations with individuals, families, groups and communities.

Identify the disciplinary knowledge necessary for the analysis of contemporary society, its structure and dynamics, including the complexity of social phenomena, adopting a multidisciplinary perspective.

Propose creative and innovative solutions to complex situations or problems within the field of knowledge, to respond to diverse professional and social needs.

Understand the systems, organisational contexts and work teams linked to social work.

**DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS**

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**WORKLOAD****PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES**

| Activity                          | Hours        |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Theoretical and practical classes | 60,00        |
| <b>Total hours</b>                | <b>60,00</b> |

**NON PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES**

| Activity                              | Hours        |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Attendance at other activities        | 0,00         |
| Individual or group project           | 0,00         |
| Independent study and work            | 40,00        |
| Preparation of lessons                | 20,00        |
| Preparation for assessment activities | 20,00        |
| Resolution of case studies            | 10,00        |
| <b>Total hours</b>                    | <b>90,00</b> |

**TEACHING METHODOLOGY****EVALUATION**



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