

Syllabus

Course Description

Course Title	Ethics, History of Religions, and Social and Political Education
Course Code	11429
Course Title Additional	
Scientific-Disciplinary Sector	NN
Language	Italian
Degree Course	5 year master degree in Primary Education - Italian section
Other Degree Courses (Loaned)	
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Teaching Assistant	
Semester	Second semester
Course Year/s	5
СР	5
Teaching Hours	40
Lab Hours	0
Individual Study Hours	85
Planned Office Hours	15
Contents Summary	The module is divided into two sections, which belong on the one hand to the historical disciplines and the History of Religions sector, and on the other hand to the peda-gogical disciplines and the General and Social Pedagogy sector.
Course Topics	See individual course modules
Keywords	ethics, history of religions, citizenship, participation, school, social

	life.
Recommended Prerequisites	
Propaedeutic Courses	
Teaching Format	See the individual modules of the course
Mandatory Attendance	
Specific Educational Objectives and Learning Outcomes	The objective of the module is to introduce knowledge of the topics covered and to initiate the development of specific professional skills. In particular, students are expected to acquire the following capabilities and knowledge: - Ability to use concrete examples to illustrate the relevance of 'religion' in terms of contemporary social phenomena; - Ability to reflect on one's own religious biography and confessional identity; - Knowledge of the dogmas and values of the world's major religions; Ability to integrate them into concrete school life; - Knowledge of the rites and rituals, festivals and customs of one's own culture and ability to reflect on cultural origins and current significance; - Ability to deal with existential questions (e.g. separation, death) in a child-friendly manner; - Ability to reflect and deal professionally with ethical problems and human rights issues as they arise in everyday school life; - Ability to perceive the importance of religious and cultural pluralism for the school and to deal with it constructively in the sense of interreligious and intercultural learning; - Knowledge of the rules of civil coexistence and functioning of institutions, especially in relation to school life; - Ability to develop a conception of one's own citizenship on four levels: individual, social, spatial, temporal; - Ability to reflect on one's own idea of citizenship and participation in social life, starting from one's own living environment; - Being able to identify and evaluate one's own, group, and community rights; - To develop critical thinking in order to direct one's action according to principles of sharing, participation, dialogue and respect for differences.



	Expected learning outcomes and competences Knowledge and understanding Students know the main elements of the historical-critical debate around the birth of religions, their historical development and their role in shaping different contemporary cultures. They know the general lines of ethical reflection around the great existential questions. They know the lines of development of the concept of citizenship and participation.
	Ability to apply knowledge and understanding The students know how to contextualise knowledge of the history of religions, ethical understanding and citizenship education in everyday teaching, where the national indications explicitly require this and where children's questions are addressed.
	Autonomy of judgement Students know how to critically evaluate their own experience, in terms of religiosity and participation in civil life, and the existential questions of children, in order to build a classroom climate open to dialogue, cultural diversity and reflection on religious, social and ethical issues.
	Communication skills Students know how to converse on religious, ethical, social and civic issues, using appropriate logic and vocabulary, referring to a scientific and historiographical approach.
	Learning skills Students are able to critically evaluate their own scientific investigation of religious experience and dialogue, ethical issues and active participation in different forms of citizenship.
Specific Educational Objectives and Learning Outcomes (additional info.)	
Assessment	Oral examination with a single final mark. Each course will offer individual or group project work as midterm tests, following procedures that will be described at the beginning of the course.

	In the case of a negative mark for the whole module, any successful partial examinations will be considered as already passed in the next attempt to take the whole module examination. It should be borne in mind that, even in this case, a negative mark for the entire module will be counted towards the number of attempts available to take an examination. According to the Examination Regulations, if a student fails an examination in three consecutive attempts, he/she may not register for the same examination in the three sessions following the last attempt (Art. 6, para. 4 of the current Regulations for Proficiency Examinations).
Evaluation Criteria	Clarity and scientificity of the argumentation, reflective and transfer capability.
Required Readings	Lenoir F. (2011), <i>Piccolo trattato di storia delle religioni</i> , Milan: Saggi Garzanti. Parricchi M., (2019), Vivere il mondo. Sentieri di educazione alla cittadinanza, dalla partecipazione all'educazione economica, Milan: FrancoAngeli.
Supplementary Readings	Santerini M. (2010). <i>La scuola della cittadinanza</i> . Rome-Bari: Laterza. Further indications will be provided during the course of the module .
Further Information	
Sustainable Development	Good health and well-being, Quality education, Peace, justice and
Goals (SDGs)	strong institutions, Decent work and economic growth, Reduced inequalities, Gender equality

Course Module

Course Constituent Title	Ethics, History of Religions
Course Code	11429A
Scientific-Disciplinary Sector	M-STO/06
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Teaching Assistant	
Semester	Second semester
СР	3
Responsible Lecturer	
Teaching Hours	24
Lab Hours	0
Individual Study Hours	51
Planned Office Hours	9
Contents Summary	The course aims to activate students' reflection on the foundations of the history of religions and moral thought; therefore, it presents the main topics of religious historiography and moral philosophy in a dialogical form, in order to clarify the terms of scientific research in these fields of knowledge. The aim is the creation of a basic critical competence and a propensity for reflective teaching professionalism.
Course Topics	- Ethical issues and existential questions between philosophical reflection and religious traditions: elements of deontology of the teaching profession in pre-school and primary school; - values, human rights and moral questions in everyday school life: introduction to ethical reflection in order to deal with existential questions (e.g. separation, death) in a way that is suitable for pre-school and primary school children; - the humanities and religion: from personal experience to the scientific analysis of religious experience; - religion as a historical fact: elements of the history of religions and the teaching of the history of religions in primary school; - the history of religions: the origin of the sacred in the Palaeolithic; the development of religion in the Neolithic; birth and development of the great religions; - Christianity as a historical fact: from the first Christian communities to the Edict of Theodosius (1st-4th centuries AD); - cultural origins and current significance of rites and rituals, festivals and customs of the culture - religions in the global world: fundamentalism, tolerance, dialogue, cooperation;

	- religions and multiculturalism in contemporary education.
Teaching Format	Participatory frontal teaching through the use of slides, films, documents and essays from European and national texts, documents and projects. Discussions and work in small and large groups.
	The lesson takes place remotely.
Required Readings	F. Lenoir, Piccolo trattato di storia delle religioni, Garzanti F. Lorenzoni, I bambini pensano grande, Sellerio
Supplementary Readings	

Course Module

Course Constituent Title	Social and Political Education
Course Code	11429B
Scientific-Disciplinary Sector	M-PED/01
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Teaching Assistant	
Semester	Second semester
СР	2
Responsible Lecturer	
Teaching Hours	16
Lab Hours	0
Individual Study Hours	34
Planned Office Hours	6
Contents Summary	The aim of teaching is to train students to work towards citizenship education in which subjects learn to live and exercise the rights and duties of a citizen, not only knowing how institutions function but also developing civic and participative skills, built on the axes of identity, belonging, otherness, dignity and participation. These skills will then enable the practice of citizenship education in the

	context of pre-school and primary school, encouraging the
	development of the skills of dialogue, confrontation and the search
	for participatory solutions in living environments.
Course Topics	- Evolution of the concept of citizenship;
	- The actors, places and contexts; The purposes of citizenship
	education;
	- Citizenship as status or (and) social role;
	- Participation education;
	- Methodologies and tools for developing citizenship education
	projects at school;
	- Financial literacy
	- Civic education in the curricula, LAW no. 92 of 20 August 2019;
	Guidelines for the teaching of civic education and provincial
	indications.
Teaching Format	Participatory frontal teaching through the use of slides, films,
	documents and essays from European and national texts,
	documents and projects.
	Discussions and work in small and large groups.
	The course is held online.
Required Readings	Parricchi M., (2019), Vivere il mondo. Sentieri di educazione alla cittadinanza, dalla partecipazione all'educazione economica, Milano: FrancoAngeli.
	materials provided during the lesson in Teams
Supplementary Readings	
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