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# POLITICA COMPARATA E INTERNAZIONALE

9 CFU - 2° Semester

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## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

### ▪ Comparative politics

The main object is to give to the student a good knowledge of the political science analysis categories. Especially in the field of political systems categories, their dynamics, their actors, their processes of interaction with the social actors. By the comparison between two or three political systems, the student will be able to recognize different characteristics and mode of operation of the different kind of democracy.

### ▪ International political institutions

First objective is to give to the student tools for the recognition of democracy origin, with a special reference to those processes that had driven from close oligarchies to contemporary democracies, in the last two centuries. Second objective is to analyze the crisis of contemporary democracy in the framework of the "crisis of modernity" and the general process of globalization. In this sense, the student will be able to understand the main political and social phenomena that characterize our society.

### ▪ Transnational actors

The objective is to give to the student a complete vision of populist movements and parties contesting mistakes of existent power and lacks of democratic systems. In this way the student will be able to recognize politic participation, also in its extreme manifestation.

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## DETAILED COURSE CONTENT

### ▪ Comparative politics

The module will deepen the following topics:

- The concept and measurement of democracy;
- Varieties of democracies;
- Elections and electoral systems;

- Social cleavages and party-systems;
- Democratisation processes;
- Non-democratic regimes.

- **International political institutions**

The module analyses the following issues and concepts:

- The main theoretical paradigms and approaches;
- Peace and war;
- International cooperation;
- International and regional organisations;
- Regionalism and multilateralism;
- the globalization process;
- the global political agenda.

- **Transnational actors**

The module analyses the following issues and concepts:

- the global civil society; the Non-Governmental-Organisations (NGOs);
- global terrorism; rogue/failed States; ISIS
- the European security system;
- the United Nations system; peacekeeping/peacebuilding/peace-enforcement
- the management of global security;
- simulation on conflict resolution.

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## TEXTBOOK INFORMATION

- **Comparative politics**

B. Pisciotta, P. Grilli di Cortona, O. Lanza, L. Germano, **Capire la politica**, Utet Università 2016

Capp. 3,4,5,7,9

- **International political institutions**

F. Attinà, *Il sistema politico globale*, 2011 (testo disponibile su Studium)

Capp. 1-5

- **Transnational actors**

F. Attinà, *Il sistema politico globale*, 2011 (testo disponibile su Studium)

Capp. 6-9

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