

## Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg

Professur für Politikwissenschaft, insb. international vergleichende Politikfeldanalyse

### PWM-PF-HS2 Hauptseminar Politikfeldanalyse II:

Historical Methods for Social Sciences: Theories, Interpretations, Sources, Actors of Social Policy

**Lecturer:** Dr Michele Mioni

**Description:** Main Seminar (Master's Seminar Policy Analysis II)

Englischsprachig

**Hours and Room:** Tuesday 14:00 - 16:00

Saturday 28.10.2023 10:00 – 12:00; 14:00 – 16:00

Saturday 04.11.2023 10:00 – 12:00; 14:00 – 16:00

Saturday 25.11.2023 10:00 – 12:00

Saturday 16.12.2023 10:00 – 12:00

**Credits:** 8

**Evaluation and Workload:** Students are expected to read papers and chapters assigned for each class to actively participate in the course. The evaluation will consist of:

Presentation and analysis of one assigned readings and one historical source

**Language of the Course:** English

#### Short Description:

The seminar focuses on historical methodology, interpretations, and sources for welfare studies. It aims to get the students more familiar with the practical and theoretical aspects of historical research, and how it contributes to political/social sciences approaches. The seminar addresses several aspects: methods of historical research; transnational and global history of welfare state; archival research; critical analysis of the sources.

The first part of the seminar discusses the complementary approaches of historiography and political/social sciences, i.e., periodisation, empirical and qualitative methods, interpretations and theories. The second part dives into the specific tool of historical investigation, i.e., the use of primary sources. Based on the critical analysis of relevant documents, the students will be able to contextualise historically their contents.

#### Suggested readings

Peter Baldwin, "The Welfare State for Historians. A Review Article", *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, 34 (4/1992): 695-707.

#### I. Introduction

24.10.2023 1. Introduction: Presentation of the Course, Reading list, Exam

#### II. Concepts and Methods of Historical Research on Social Policy

28.10.2023 2. "Periodising" Welfare State in Political Sciences and History

##### Readings:

Hugh Hecló, *Towards a New Welfare State?*, in *The Development of Welfare State in Europe and America*, edited by P. Flora, A.J. Heidenheimer (Transaction Publishers: New Brunswick-London, 1984): 384-406.

Asa Briggs, *The Welfare State in Historical Perspective*, in *European Journal of Sociology*, 2, 1961, pp. 221-258.

- 28.10.2023 3. Welfare State in Historical Perspective: Terms and Concepts  
Readings:  
Daniel Wincott, “Original and imitated or elusive and limited? Towards a genealogy of the welfare state idea in Britain”, in *Analysing Social Policy Concepts and Language. Comparative and Transnational Perspectives*, edited by K. Petersen, D. Béland (Bristol: Policy Press, 2014): 127-142.  
Daniel Béland, “Social policy concepts and language in France”, in Klaus Petersen, Daniel Béland (eds.), *Analysing Social Policy Concepts and Language. Comparative and Transnational Perspectives*, edited by K. Petersen, D. Béland (Bristol: Policy Press, 2014): 143-156.
- 04.11.2023 4. Comparing in History and Political/Social Sciences  
P. Baldwin, “Comparing and Generalizing: Why All History is Comparative, Yet No History is Sociology” in *Comparison and History: Europe in Cross-National and Comparative Perspective*, edited by D. Cohen and M. O’Connor (Londo-New York: Routledge, 2004): 1-22.  
Christoph Conrad, “Wohlfahrtsstaaten im Vergleich: Historische und sozialwissenschaftliche Ansätze”, in *Geschichte und Vergleich: Ansätze und Ergebnisse international vergleichender Geschichtsschreibung*, edited by H.-G. Haupt, J. Kocka (Frankfurt-New York, Camous Verlag, 1996): 155–180.
- 04.11.2023 5. Actors, Transfers, Ideas: A Micro-Historical Analysis of Welfare State  
Readings:  
Stefano Petrunaro, “Soup Kitchens and Yugoslav Poor Relief between the Two World Wars”, *European Review of History*, 26 (2019), 1, 141-162.  
Patrick Bernhard, “Hitler's Africa in the East: Italian Colonialism as a Model for German Planning in Eastern Europe”, *Journal of Contemporary History*, 51 (1/2016): 61-90.  
Daniel Béland, Gregory P. Marchildon, Michele Mioni, Klaus Petersen, “Translating social policy ideas: The Beveridge report, transnational diffusion, and post-war welfare state development in Canada, Denmark, and France”, *Social Policy & Administration*, 56 (2/2022): 315-328.
- 07.11.2023 6. Transnational Views and Interdisciplinary Approaches  
Herbert Obinger, Carina Schmitt, Peter Starke, “Policy Diffusion and Policy Transfer in Comparative Welfare State Research”, *Social Policy & Administration*, 47 (1/2012): 111-129.  
Pauli Kettunen, Klaus Petersen, “Introduction: rethinking welfare state models”, in *Beyond Welfare State Models. Transnational Historical Perspectives on Social Policy*, edited by P. Kettunen, K. Petersen (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, 2011): 1-15.  
Christoph Conrad, “Social policy history after the transnational turn”, in *Beyond Welfare State Models. Transnational Historical Perspectives on Social Policy*, edited by P. Kettunen, K. Petersen (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, 2011): 218-240.

### III. Sources and Documents

- 14.11.2023 7. Archival Sources for Political Sciences  
 Scott Frisch, et Al., "Introduction: Taking the Road Less Traveled", in *Doing Archival Research in Political Science*, edited by Scott Frisch, et Al. (Amherst-New York: Cambria, 2012): 1-32.  
 Scott Frisch, Sean Kelly, "Political Science and Archival Research", in *Doing Archival Research in Political Science*, edited by Scott Frisch, et Al. (Amherst-New York: Cambria, 2012): 35-59.
- 21.11.2023 8. Early Developments of Social Policy  
 Kaiser Wilhelm I, *Royal Proclamation on Social Policy, November 17, 1881*.  
 Lloyd George, "Social Reform, Swansea, October 1, 1908", in Lloyd George, *Better Times* (London: Hodder&Stoughton, 1910): 48-59.  
 Part XIII of the Treaty of Peace of Versailles, 1919 [excerpts].
- 25.11.2023 9. The Notion of Social Security in the 1930s: Historical and International Perspectives  
Readings:  
 Karl Pribram, "Social Insurance in Europe and Social Security in the United States – A Comparative Analysis", *International Labour Review*, (December 1937): 742-771.  
 ILO, *Resolutions adopted by the Conference, Labour Conference of the American States which are Members of the ILO, Santiago 1936* (Geneva: ILO, 1936) [excerpts].
- 05.12.2023 10. The Wartime Foundations of Post-War Social Policy  
Readings:  
*Social Insurance and Allied Services: Report by Sir William Beveridge Presented to Parliament by Command of His Majesty, November 1942, Cmd. 6404* (London: HMSO, 1942) [excerpts].  
 ILO, *International Labour Conference. Declaration concerning the aims and purposes of the International Labour Organisation, adopted by the Conference at its twenty-sixth session, Philadelphia. 10 May 1944* [excerpts].
- 12.12.2023 11. Social Citizenship and Welfare State: An Evolutionary or Historical View?  
Readings:  
 ILO *Preparatory Asiatic Regional Conference of the International Labour Organisation, New Delhi 1947. Problems of Social Security. 1<sup>st</sup> Item on the Agenda* (New Delhi: ILO, 1947) [excerpts].  
 Thomas H. Marshall, *Citizenship and Social Class: And Other Essays* (Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, 1950) [excerpts].  
 Richard Titmuss, *Social Policy. An Introduction* (London: George Allen & Unwin, 1974) [excerpts].
- 16.12.2023 12. The Welfare State and Its Opponents  
Readings:  
 Wilhelm Röpke, *A Humane Economy: The Social Framework of the Free Market* (New York: Regnery, 1960) [excerpts].  
 Milton Friedman, "The Fallacy of the Welfare State" Lecture at Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken, 20 June 1977.

John Williamson, “The Washington Consensus and Beyond”, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 38 (15/2003): 1475-1481.

19.12.2023 13. Concluding Session