

ΚΕΠ15 - Educational Policy and Policies of Employment

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ECTS: 4.5

Short Description:

Adopting an interdisciplinary perspective, this course aims to explore important dimensions in the relationship between educational policy and policies of employment in the current conjuncture. Globalisation and the rapid technological and social changes have placed Education and Lifelong Learning (L.L.L.) at the centre of the educational policy of the European Union. At the same time, Education and L.L.L. are considered basic components of 'active' policies of employment, purporting to help with the smooth integration and mobility of individuals within the labour market. The Course focuses on the analysis and interpretation of the dominant trends in education policy and the policies of employment seeking to explore their multiple and complex relationships both within the E.U and at national level.

Aims:

To enable students:

- To become familiar with the basic concepts and categories of educational and employment policies
- To distinguish the key dimensions of the relationship of educational policy with employment policies
- To distinguish the dominant trends in education policy and employment policies at EU and national level

Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the course students should be able:

- To demonstrate knowledge on the basic concepts and categories of educational and employment policies
- To understand the links between education policies and employment policies
- To critically analyze the prevailing educational and employment policies at EU and national level

Structure:

13 three-hour lectures.

Assessment:

Written examination. The students may improve their final grade by up to 2 points by submitting an essay of 1500 words max.

Bibliography:

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