

PhD Program in Politics, public policies and globalization

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The PhD Program in “Politics, public policies and globalization” is an interdisciplinary program. Combining different scientific approaches and covering numerous subjects such as history, sociology, political science, communication studies, anthropology, social psychology, international relations, the program deals with the major transformations of contemporary democracy.

The program is organized in three curricula: “democracy and its transformations”, “democracy and new welfare state”, “democracy and globalization”. The curriculum in “democracy and its transformations” deals with the changes that have occurred in contemporary democracy and with its present problems. The historical transformations of democracy are discussed placing particular attention on the evolution of democratic theories, on the forms of political representation and on the effects of the changes that have occurred in communication structures. The curriculum in “Democracy and new welfare state” is particularly focused on public policies and their transformations, observed using different approaches from several fields of study: public law, political science and economics. The core of the curriculum in “democracy and globalization” is the new structure of the globalized world taking into consideration its major issues: migrations, new cultural hybridization and a complex system of international relations.