

## In the Name of God

### Islamic Republic of Iran Ministry of Health and Medical Education Deputy for Education

## Social Welfare and Social Health Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

#### Total Course Credits: 45

Core credits: 21  
Non-core credits: 4  
Dissertation(PhD) : 20

#### Program Description

Social Welfare and Social Health is an interdisciplinary field composed mainly of health and social sciences whose PhD students learn more about research, education, and policymaking in the main domains of Social Welfare and Social Health including: social security, social services, public health, public education, employment, and housing.

The main objectives of this program is training graduates who can design and implement:

- required training courses for social welfare and social health system.
- required research for social welfare and social health system.
- policies and plans of social welfare and social health system.

They should also be able to:

- disseminate research results in a way that they can help policies reform of social welfare and social health system.
- analyze policies and plans of social welfare and social health system.

#### Admission Requirements

- Having a master's degree (MSc) in all disciplines related to health and social sciences, or an MD, a Pharm-D, a DMD awarded by an Iranian university or a foreign university and approved by the Ministry of Health, Treatment and Medical Education or the Ministry of Sciences, Research and Technology.
- Being accepted in an entrance examination
- Being eligible for entering the course according to the PhD educational rules and regulations

#### Expected Competencies at the End of the Program

##### General competencies\*

##### Specific Competencies and Skills

At the end of the program, learners will be competent in the following skills:

- Improving health policy especially in social health and social determinants of health.
- planning and evaluating in social welfare and social health domains.

## Educational strategies, methods and techniques\*

### Student assessment

#### Methods of assessment:

- Written and oral assessment, DOPS, OSCE, log book-based assessment

#### Types of the assessment

- Formative (Quizzes ,Mid-term exam)
- -Summative (Final)
- Comprehensive exam
- Monitoring the progress and completion of the thesis.

### Ethical Considerations\*

\*Note: The related document(s) can be found at <http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/>

## Tables of the Courses

**Table 1. Compensatory Courses**

Code of the course	Title of the course	Credits			teaching hours		
		Practical	Theoretical	Total	Practical	Theoretical	Total
01	Medical informationsystems*	.5	.5	1	17	9	26
02	Advancedresearch methodology in social welfare	1	2	3	34	34	68
03	Social problems	-	2	2	-	34	34
04	Social health	-	2	2	-	34	34
05	Preventingsocial deviances	1	1	2	34	17	51
06	Theories ofsocial welfare	-	2	2	-	34	34
07	Sociology ofsocial welfare	-	2	2	-	34	34
08	Social policy and developmental plans	1	2	3	34	34	68
09	Planning andstrategic management	-	2	2	-	34	34
10	Evaluating social welfare projects and programs	1	1	2	34	17	51
11	Economics of social welfare	-	2	2	-	34	34
12	Welfare rights	-	2	2	-	34	34
13	<b>Social services and target groups</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>51</b>

Students should earn at least 16 compensatory course credits (Table 1) as specified by the Department of Education and approved by the Postgraduate Education Council.

\* Completing this course is obligatory for those who have not completed it before.

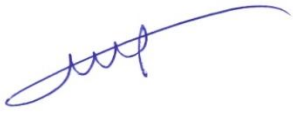
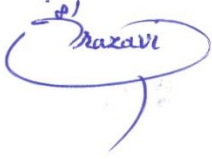
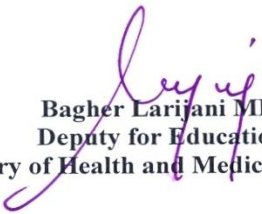
**Table 2. Core Courses**

Code of the course	Title of the course	credits			teaching hours			Prerequisite
		Practical	Theoretical	Total	Practical	Theoretical	Total	
14	Main concepts and new approaches in social welfare and social health	-	3	3	-	51	51	-
15	Empowerment of the target ups	1	1	2	34	17	51	-
16	Analysis and Critique of social welfare and social health policies	1	2	3	34	34	68	-
17	Social and health insurance	-	2	2	-	34	34	-
18	Social determinants of health	2	2	-	34	34	-	-
19	Advanced analyses in social welfare and social health research	1	2	3	34	34	68	-
20	Evaluation and applied research in social welfare and social health	1	1	2	34	17	51	-
21	Social epidemiology	1	1	2	34	17	51	19
22	Welfare economics	-	2	2	-	34	34	-
23	Thesis	-	-	20	-	-	-	-

**Table 3: Non-Core Courses**

Code of the course	Title of the course	credits			teaching hours			Prerequisite
		Practical	Theoretical	Total	Practical	Theoretical	Total	
24	Philosophy of science	-	2	2	-	34	34	-
25	Social pathology	-	2	2	-	34	34	-
26	Management and knowledge transfer	1	1	2	34	17	51	-
27	Systems analysis	-	2	2	-	34	34	-
28	Social welfare and social security	-	2	2	-	34	34	-
29	History of social welfare	-	2	2	-	34	34	-
30	Modern management for organizations of public sector	-	2	2	-	34	34	14
31	<b>Welfare economics and public choice</b>	-	2	2	-	34	34	-

\* Students should choose 4 credits according to the thesis domain, agreement of supervisor, and approval of the Postgraduate Education Council.

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