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# Visiting Professor Program Academic year 2021/2022

**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORICAL STUDIES** 

**TEACHING COMMITMENT: 12 hours** 

## **COURSE TITLE**

# Ethics, Sustainability and Management of Libraries and Cultural Institutions

**TEACHING PERIOD** 

1st term

**SCIENTIFIC AREA** 

**Library Science** 

LANGUAGE USED TO TEACH

Italian

## **COURSE SUMMARY**

Based on the analysis carried out on the trends and existing models since the beginning of Library Science as a science, it can be observed that, especially from the 80s, a tension occurs due to the presence of different philosophical, political, economic and social tendencies with which existing library models are identified to date. The course offers an incursion into the theoretical models of Library Science that adopt the adjective of "social" and, specifically, in that possible one based on the Theory of the Common Good and the Economy of the Common Good model by Felber (2017). Under this new perspective of a philosophical, economic, political and social nature, a model of what can be called Social Librarianship can be constituted as a theoretical evolution of the discipline. Based fundamentally on the concept of sustainability, the elements of this model, its characteristics and how it can manifest itself in professional practice, through the so-called "Social Library", are analyzed, also in their inherent management dimension.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

The aim of the course is to ensure the acquisition of theoretical, methodological, managerial skills, connected to the concept of sustainability, applied to libraries and to all cultural institutions. The reference model is the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

#### **TUTORSHIP ACTIVITIES**

N/A

# **LAB ACTIVITIES**

Workshop activities are planned that involve the students of the course, together with professional operators from libraries, archives, museums, and other territorial cultural institutions.

# **OTHER ACTIVITIES BESIDES THE COURSE**

Seminars and meetings open to the public are planned, held in the environments of territorial institutional subjects (Biblioteche civiche torinesi; Polo del '900, Archivio di Stato di Torino; Musei e Biblioteca Reale di Torino), and developed in collaboration with AIB - Associazione italiana biblioteche; MAB Italia - Musei Biblioteche Archivi; SISBB - Società Italiana di Scienze Bibliografiche e Biblioteconomiche.

## **VISITING PROFESSOR PROFILE**

The Visiting Professor must be characterized by solid scientific skills regarding the sustainable management of libraries and other cultural institutions, with a particular knowledge of related ethical and deontological issues.

# **CONTACT PERSON AT THE DEPARTMENT**

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