

NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: The Politics of Social Welfare **Course #:** POL* 122

Course Description: Review the basic concepts of social welfare and its social, economic, and political roots. Studies the influence of beliefs about the appropriate role of the government in the economy and in people's lives on the provision of welfare decision-making and services. Review of basic practices and procedures of federal and state-level social welfare programs.

Prerequisites: Eligibility for ENG* 101

Goals: Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. Familiarize you with the basic concepts of Social Welfare and the American Political System
2. Provide you with an awareness of the potential and limits of government actions to deal with social problems and;
3. Help you to understand how the contemporary political system impacts upon individuals and groups of people.

Outcomes:

1. Understand the role that social welfare programs play in post-industrial American society
2. Comprehend how social welfare programs influence Americans' lives from birth to old age
3. Understand human needs and the resources made available to assist families and individuals in need
4. Examine the historical and philosophical roots of social welfare from ancient cultures to contemporary America
5. Analyze social welfare systems, including their basic concepts and economic and political determinants

College Policies

Plagiarism: Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty are not tolerated at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Violators of this policy will be subject to sanctions ranging from failure of the assignment (receiving a zero), failing the course, being removed/expelled from the program

and/or the College. Please refer to your “Student Handbook” under “Policy on Student Rights,” the Section entitled “Student Discipline,” or the College catalog for additional information.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): The College will make reasonable accommodations for persons with documented learning, physical, or psychiatric disabilities. Students should notify Dr. Christine Woodcock, the Counselor for Students with Disabilities. She is located at Green Woods Hall, in the Center for Student Development. Her phone number is 860-738-6318 and her email is cwoodcock@nwcc.edu.

School Cancellations: If snowy or icy driving conditions cause the postponement or cancellation of classes, announcements will be made on local radio and television stations and posted on the College’s website at www.nwcc.edu. Students may also call the College directly at **(860) 738-6464** to hear a recorded message concerning any inclement weather closings. Students are urged to exercise their own judgment if road conditions in their localities are hazardous.

Use of Electronic Devices: *Some course content as presented in Blackboard Learn is not fully supported on mobile devices at this time. While mobile devices provide convenient access to check in and read information about your courses, they should not be used to perform work such as taking tests, quizzes, completing assignments, or submitting substantive discussion posts.*

Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team: NCCC is committed to creating a community that is safe and supportive of people of all gender and sexual identities. This pertains to the entire campus community, whether on ground or virtual, students, faculty, or staff. Sexual assault and intimate partner violence is an affront to our national conscience, and one we cannot ignore. It is our hope that no one within our campus community will become a victim of these crimes. However, if it occurs, NCCC has created the SART Team - Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team - to meet the victim’s needs.

SART is a campus and community based team that is fully trained to provide trauma-informed compassionate service and referrals for comprehensive care. The team works in partnership with The Susan B. Anthony Project to extend services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

The NCCC team members are:

Ruth Gonzalez, PHD	860-738-6315	Greenwoods Hall Room 220
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At NCCC we care about our students, staff and faculty and their well-being. It is our intention to facilitate the resources needed to help achieve both physical and emotional health.