

**ΠΠΔΕ/INX 157: Studies in Humanities in Greece: History and Contemporary Challenges**

(Lecture course) | **Professor Katerina Dalakoura**

The subject of the course is the presentation of the historical evolution of humanities studies in Greece from the 19th century to the present day. It will cover the establishment of studies in the first schools of Philosophy (at the Othonian/later Kapodistrian University of Athens and Aristotle University of Thessaloniki), the development of the network of philosophical schools, scientific disciplines, and human resources, as well as their contribution to the formation of the national ideologies. The trajectory of the social significance of humanities studies, the social status of their representatives, and career prospects of their graduates up to the modern "crisis" of these studies (both in Greece and internationally), as it is often referred to today, constitutes a central focus of the approach. What does the "crisis of humanities studies" mean? Is it a result of pressures from the "labor market"? What factors contribute to it? What solutions are being proposed, and what do they imply?

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**INX 331: Institutions and Structures of Social Welfare (Greece – Ottoman Empire, 19th c.– Interwar period) (Seminar) | Professor Katerina Dalakoura**

The seminar examines the systems (ideology, institutions, foundations, organizations) of social welfare from the 19th century to the interwar period in Greece. It also includes the Greek Orthodox communities in the Ottoman realm during the same period as an example of communal (alongside private) welfare policy. The concept of social welfare, its relationship with philanthropy, and their evolving meanings (e.g., charitable relief, corrective philanthropy, social work), as well as the agents involved (individuals, collectivities, communities, state), the political-ideological context and the objectives underlying them in each period will be discussed. These topics will be explored alongside the forms that welfare takes up to and including the emergence of the so-called "welfare state"; the evolution of the welfare systems in Europe, as a broader context, will be considered too. In other words, the seminar will address questions such as: who is involved in caring for the "vulnerable," what is the purpose of welfare at different times and who is its target audience, what forms does it take, and what role does the state play during this period. These are some of the key issues that will be examined in the seminar.