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The aim of this course is to explore the development of Britain's welfare state and examine current debates and controversies surrounding social policy in Britain.

Course Outline

An introduction to social policy – what is 'social policy'?

Social Policy in Britain from the Poor Law to Beveridge

Poverty in Britain – defining and tackling poverty

Social Security – the benefits system

Employment policy – how to tackle unemployment and worklessness

Families – how do governments responding to changes in family life?

Social care – care for our elderly, vulnerable children and adults

Education policy between 1944 and 1979

Education policy between 1979 and today

Pre-National Health Service health in Britain and establishment of the NHS

The NHS in Britain today

Housing policy and homelessness

Conclusions: The impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on Britain's social policy

The course requires each student to complete two essays which (along with class discussion, the presentation of tutorials and participation in tutorial discussions) constitute 50 per cent of the overall mark. The remaining 50 per cent will be assessed based on a three-hour examination. Teaching will be based on lectures and tutorials.

Reading List

Students are advised to consult a variety of sources. The list below is not exhaustive and should only be used as a guide.

An Introduction to Social Policy

Alcock, P., Social Policy in Britain, Chp 1, 8 and 12	360 ALC
Alcock, P., The Student's Companion to Social Policy, Part 1	360 ALC
Baldock, J., Social Policy, Chp 1	360 BAL
Blakemore, K., social Policy: An Introduction, Chp 1 and 2	360 BLA
Drucker, H., Developments in British Politics 2, Chp 8	320.42 DRU
Dunleavy, P., Developments in British Politics 5, Chp 15	320.42 DUN
Ellison, N & Pierson, Developments in British Social Policy, Introduction & Part 1	360 ELL
Gladstone, D., British Social Welfare, Chp 1	360 GLA
Glennester, H., British Social Policy since 1945, Chp 1	360 GLE
Hill, M., Understanding Social Policy, Chp 1	360 HIL
Hudson, J., The Short Guide to Social Policy, Chp 1	360 HUD
Jones, B., Political Issues in Britain Today (3 rd ed.), Chp 10	320.42 JON
Jones, B., Politics UK, Chp 26	320.42 JON
Jones, M., From Beveridge to Blair, Chp 1	360 SUL
Sullivan, M., The Development of the welfare State, Chp 1	362.9 JON

e-books:

Alcock, P., The Student's Companion to Social Policy, Part 1
Lund, B., Understanding State Welfare: Social Justice or Social Exclusion?

Social Policy from the Poor Law to Beveridge

Baldock, J., Social Policy, Chp 2	360 BAL
Barker, P., Founders of the Welfare State. Esp. Chps 1,2,6,10,11,13 and 15.	362.9 BAR
Birch, R.C., The Shaping of the Welfare State	362.9 BIR
Blakemore, K., Social Policy: An Introduction, Chp 3	360 BLA
Bruce, M., The Coming of the Welfare State	362.9 BRU
Cole, T., Wealth, Poverty and Welfare, Chp 6	362.5 COL
Cook, C. & Stevenson, J., Modern British History p.p. 166-171	942 COO
Dunleavy, P., Developments in British Politics 3, Chp 19	320.42 DUN
Dunleavy, P., Developments in British Politics 4, Chp 11	320.42 DUN
Englander, D., Poverty and Poor Law Reform in 19 th Century Britain	362.5 ENG
Fraser, D., Evolution of the British Welfare System Chp 1-7 and 10	362.9 FRA
Fraser, D., The New Poor Law in the 19 th Century	362.5 FRA
Glennester, H., British Social Policy since 1945, Chp 2	360 GLE
Hay, J.R., Development of the British Welfare State	362.9 HAY
Henriques, U.R., Before the Welfare State, Chps 2 & 3	362.9 HEN
Hill, M., Understanding Social Policy, Chp 2	360 HIL
Johnson, P., 20 th Century Britain, Chp 5, 12 & 20	942 JOH
May, T., The Victorian Workhouse	942.08 MAY
Sullivan, M., The Development of the British Welfare State, Chps 2 and 3	362.9 SUL
Thane, P., Foundations of the Welfare State	362.9 THA

e-books:

Page, R., Revisiting the Welfare State

Poverty in Britain

Abercrombie, N., Contemporary British Society, Chp 6	301 ABE
Banton, M., 'The Davis-Moore Theory of inequality' in Social Studies Review, November 1987	
Baldock, J., Social Policy, Chp 4	360 BAL
Bonney, N., 'Theories of Social Class and Gender,' Sociology Review, February 1992	
Bosanquet, N., 'Poverty under Thatcher' in Loney et al. Social Policy and Social Welfare	360 LON
Browne, K., 'Values and the Study of Poverty,' Sociology Review, November 2001	
Cannadine, D., Class in Britain (especially chapter 4)	305.5 CAN
Chapman, S., 'Toffs and Snobs? Upper class identity in Britain,' Sociology Review, Sept 2001	
Clarke, J., 'Culture of Poverty revisited,' Sociology Review, April 2000	
Cole, T., Wealth, Poverty and Welfare, Chp 5	362.5 COL
Danzier, S & Haveman, R., Understanding Poverty	362.5 DAN
Ellison, N. & Pierson, C., Developments in British Social Policy, Chp 15	360 ELL
Ellison, N and Pierson, C., Developments in British Social Policy 2, Chp 3	360 ELL
Englander, D., Poverty and Poor Law Reform in Nineteenth Century Britain	362.5 ENG
Fraser, D., Evolution of the British Welfare State, Chp 6	362.9 FRA
Garrod, J., 'Gender and Poverty,' Sociology Review, September 2004	
Garrod, J., 'Social Mobility', Sociology Review, April 2011	
Gladstone., British Social Welfare, Chp 1	360 GLA
Glennester., H., British Social Policy since 1945 (see index)	360 GLE
Halsey, A., Poor Britain	
Hantrais., L., Social Policy in the European Union, Chp 8	341.184 HAN
Haralambos, M., Sociology, Chp 4	301 HAR
Hirsch, D., 'A minimum income standard for the UK in 2011' Available at www.jrf.org.uk	
Institute for Fiscal Studies, 'Poverty and Inequality in the UK in 2011' Available at www.jrf.org.uk	
Johnson, R., 'Geography of Unemployment in Britain,' in Social Studies Review, May 1990	
Kirby, M., 'New Approaches to Social Inequality,' Sociology Review, February 1999	
Lewis, G., Rethinking Social Policy, Chp 10	360 LEW
Lister, R., 'Concepts of Poverty,' in Social Studies Review, May 1991	
Mack and Lansley., Poor Britain	362.5 MAC
Marshall, G., 'What is happening to the working class?' Social Studies Review, January 1987	
Murray, C., The Emerging British Underclass	360 MUR
Rose, M.R., The Relief of Poverty	362.5 ROS
Scott, J., 'Social Class: Uses and Abuses' in Sociology Review, April 1998	
Scott, J., 'Women and Class Theory,' in Social Studies Review, November 1987	
Shidrick, T. and MacDonald, R. 'Talking about poverty' in Sociology Review, February 2015	
Townsend, P., 'A Theory of Poverty and the Role of Social Policy,' in Loney et al, Social Policy and Social Welfare	360 LON
Townsend, P., 'Poverty & Policy: What can we do about the Poor,' Sociology Review, Sept 1997	
Townsend, P., Poverty in the United Kingdom	362.5 TOW

Vincent, D., Poor Citizens 362.5 VIN
 Walker, C., 'Managing Poverty,' in Social Studies Review, April 1994
 Ward, T., 'A Poor Measure', Sociology Review, February 2000
 Williams, J., 'Children, Poverty and Consumption,' Sociology Review,
 September 1998
 Williams, J., 'Family Life and Poverty,' in Sociology Review, September
 2000
 Williams, J., 'Inequality and social mobility,' Sociology Review, February
 2011
 Williams, J., 'Measuring Child Poverty,' Sociology Review, February 2003
 Williams, J., 'Measuring Poverty in Britain,' in Sociology Review, February
 2001
 www.poverty.org.uk – The Poverty Site (Information about poverty in the
 UK)
 www.cpag.org.uk – Child Poverty Action Group
 www.jrf.org.uk – The Joseph Rowntree Foundation

Social Security – The Benefits System

Alcock, P., Social Policy in Britain, Chp 2 360 ALC
 Alcock, P., The Student's Companion to Social Policy, Part IV sections 7 & 8 360 ALC
 Baldock, J., Social Policy, Chp 10 360 BAL
 Bartholomew, J., The Welfare State We're In, Chp 2 362.9 BAR
 Bochel, H., Social Policy: Issues and Developments. Chps 3 & 4 360 BOC
 Blakemore, K., Social Policy: an Introduction, Chp 5 360 BLA
 Cole, T., Wealth, Poverty and Welfare, Chp 6 362.5 COL
 Ellison, N. and Pierson, C., Developments in Social Policy Chp 7 360 ELI
 Ellison, N. and Pierson, C., Developments in Social Policy 2, Chp 7 360 ELI
 Gladstone, D., British Social Welfare, Chp 4 360 GLA
 Glennester, H., British Social Policy since 1945 (See index) 360 GLE
 Glennester, H., Paying for Welfare towards 2000, Chp 14 360 GLE
 Hill, M., Understanding Social Policy, Chp 5 360 HIL
 Hudson, J., The Short Guide to Social Policy, Chp 2 360 HUD
 Johnson, N., Reconstructing the Welfare State, Chp 3 360 JOH
 Jones, M., From Beveridge to Blair, Chp 2 362.9 JON
 Lowe, R., The Welfare State, Chp 6, 13.1 and 15.1 362.9 LOW
 Page, R and Silburn, R., British Social Welfare in the Twentieth Century, Chp
 9 362.9 PAG
 Pilkington, C., Issues in British Politics, Chp 5 320.42 PIL
 Savage, S., Public Policy in Britain, Chp 13 360 SAV
 Savage, S. and Alkerson, R., Public Policy under Blair, Chps 5 & 12 360 SAV
 Sullivan, M., The Development of the Welfare State, Chp 10 362.9 SUL
 Young, A., The Politics of the Welfare State, Chp 3 360 YOU
 www.dwp.gov.uk – Department for Work and Pensions (deals with social
 security)

e-books:

Alcock, P., The Student's Companion to Social Policy, Part IV sections 7 & 8

Employment Policy

Alcock, P., Social Policy in Britain, Chp 7 360 ALC
 Alcock, P., the Student's Companion to Social Policy, Chp IV (8) 360 ALC
 Baldock, J., Social Policy, Chp 5 360 BLA
 Blakemore, K., Social Policy: An Introduction, Chp 8 360 BAL

Bochel, H., <i>Social Policy: Issues and Developments</i> , Chp 4	360 BOC
Ellison, N., and Pierson, C., <i>Developments in British Social Policy</i> , Chp 6 (also Chp 6 in Volume 2)	360 ELL
Gladstone, D., <i>British Social Welfare</i> , Chp 3	360 GLA
Haralambos, N., <i>Sociology</i> , Chp 10	301 HAR
Hill, M., <i>Understanding Social Policy</i> , Chp 6	360 HIL
Hudson, J., <i>The Short Guide to Social Policy</i> , Chp 3	360 HUD
Lowe, R., <i>The Welfare State in Britain since 1945</i> , Chp 5	362.9 LOW
Page, R. and Silburn, R., <i>British Social Welfare in the Twentieth Century</i> , Chp 8	362.9 PAG
Savage, S., <i>Public Policy in Britain</i> , Chp 6	360 SAV
Savage S., <i>Public Policy under Blair</i> , Chp 5	360 SAV
www.dwp.gov.uk - Department for Work and Pensions	
www.employment-studies.co.uk – Institute for Employment Studies	
www.theworkfoundation.com – The Work Foundation	

e-books:

Alcock, P., *the Student’s Companion to Social Policy*, Chp IV (8)

The Family

Abercrombie, N., <i>Contemporary British Society</i> , Chp 9 & Chp 10 – sections 10.1 & 10.2	301 ABE
Alcock, P., <i>The Student’s Companion to Social Policy</i> , Part II, section 17 & Part IV, section 5	360 ALC
Baldock, J., <i>Social Policy</i> , Chp 6	360 BAL
Bartholomew, J., <i>The Welfare State We’re In</i> , Chp 6	362.9 BAR
Bernades, J., ‘The Family in Question,’ in <i>Social Studies Review</i> , September 1990	
Bernades, J., ‘Understanding Family Diversity,’ <i>Sociology Review</i> , September 2001	
Bocock/ Thompson, <i>Social and Cultural Forms of Modernity</i> , pp. 75-90	301 BOC
Chapman, S., & Aiken, D., ‘Towards a New Sociology of the Families,’ <i>Sociology Review</i> , Feb 2000	
Dench, G., ‘Rethinking the sociology of the Family’ <i>Sociology Review</i> , September 2011	
Fitzgerald, T., ‘The New Right and the Family,’ in Loney et al. <i>Social Policy and Social Welfare</i>	360 LON
The Economist, ‘The Disappearing Family,’ September 9 th -15 th 1995	
Garrod, J., ‘Parents and Families’, <i>Sociology Review</i> , November 2012	
Garrod, J., ‘Disposable Dads’, <i>Sociology Review</i> , February 2015	
Glennester, H., <i>British Social Policy since 1945</i> (see index)	360 GLE
Hantrais, L., <i>Social Policy in the European Union</i> , Chp 5	341.184 HAN
Haralambos, M., <i>Sociology</i> , Chp 8	301 HAR
Hill, D., ‘Co-parenting: New Model Families?’ in <i>Sociology Review</i> , September 2000	
Jones, M., ‘Family and households,’ <i>Sociology Review</i> , September 2010	
Kidd, W., ‘Family Diversity,’ <i>Sociology Review</i> , September 1999	
Langham, S., ‘Changing the Gender Agenda: Women & Social Policy,’ in <i>Sociology Review</i> , Feb 2000	
Lewis, G., <i>Rethinking Social Policy</i> , Chp 1 and 2	360 LEW
Longfield, A., ‘Families and Social Policy,’ <i>Sociology Review</i> , September 2010	
Morgan, D., ‘Thinking about Family Life,’ <i>Sociology Review</i> , April 1998	

Scott, G., 'The Family Poverty Debate,' *Sociology Review*, April 1999
Sociology Review, September 2001, 'The Marriage Debate'
 Thane, P., 'Happy Families: Rethinking the history of the family', *Sociology Review*, November 2012
 Toynbee, P., & Lawlor, S., 'Debate on Divorce,' *Sociology Review*, September 1999
 Williams, J., 'Marriage and Partnerships,' *Sociology Review*, November 2007
 Williams, J., 'Single Person Households,' *Sociology Review*, September 2012
 Williams, J., 'The End of the Traditional Family', *Sociology Review*, November 2013
 Williams, J., 'Home Alone', *Sociology Review*, September 2014
 Zadeh, S., 'Fatherless Families: Are they the future?', *Sociology Review*, November 2014
 www.cpag.org.uk – Child Poverty Action Group
 www.equalityhumanrights.com – Equality and Human Rights Commission
 www.familyandparenting.org – Family and Parenting Institute
 www.gingerbread.org.uk – Gingerbread – a charity helping one-parent families

e-books:

Alcock, P., *The Student's Companion to Social Policy*, Part II, section 17 & Part IV, section 5

Social Care

Alcock, P., <i>Social Policy in Britain</i> , Chps 6 and 10	360 ALC
Alcock, P., <i>The Student's Companion to Social Policy</i> , Part III, section 3 & Part IV, sections 1-4 & 12	360 ALC
Baldock, J., <i>Social Policy</i> , Chps 7, 13 & 14	360 BAL
Bartholomew, J., <i>The Welfare State We're In</i> , Chp 7	362.9 BAR
Bochel, H., <i>Social Policy: Issues and Developments</i> , Chp 6	360 BOC
Ellison, N. & Pierson, C., <i>Developments in British Social Policy</i> , Chp 10	360 ELL
Ellison, N. & Pierson, C., <i>Developments in British Social Policy 2</i> , Chp 12	360 ELL
Gladstone, D., <i>British Social Welfare</i> , Chp 8	360 GLA
Glennester, H., <i>British Social Policy since 1945</i> (see index)	360 GLE
Glennester, H., <i>Paying for Welfare towards 2000</i> , Chp 11	360 GLE
Hill, M., <i>Understanding Social Policy</i> , Chp 8	360 HIL
Jones, M., <i>From Beveridge to Blair</i> , Chp 6	362.9 JON
Johnson, N., <i>Reconstructing the Welfare State</i> , Chp 7	360 JOH
Lewis, G., <i>Rethinking Social Policy</i> , Chp 3 & 7	360 LEW
Lowe, R., <i>The Welfare State in Britain since 1945</i> , Chps 10, 13.2 and 15.2	362.9 LOW
Page, R. and Silburn, R., <i>British Social Welfare in the Twentieth Century</i>	362.9 PAG
Savage, S., <i>Public Policy in Britain</i> , Chp 12	360 SAV
Savage, S. and Alkerson, R., <i>Public Policy under Blair</i> , Chp 11	360 SAV
Sullivan, M., <i>The Development of the British Welfare State</i> , Chp 8	362.9 SUL
Webb, A. & Wistow, G., 'The Personal Social Services: Incrementalism, Expediency or Systematic Social Planning?' in Loney, M et al., <i>Social Policy and Social Welfare</i>	360 LON
Young, A., <i>The Politics of the Welfare State</i> , p.p. 31-33	360 YOU

e-books:

Alcock, P., *The Student's Companion to Social Policy*, as above

Education

Alcock, P., Social Policy in Britain, Chp 3	360 ALC
Alcock, P., The Student's Companion to Social Policy, Part IV, section 10	360 ALC
Armytage, Four Hundred Years of English Education	370.1 ARM
Baldock, T., Social Policy, Chp 11	360 BAL
Ball, S., 'Education,' Sociology Review, November 2002	
Ball, S., 'It's not what you know...' Education and Social Capital,' Sociology Review, November 2003	
Banks, O., The Sociology of Education	370.193 BAN
Bartholomew, J., The Welfare State We're In, Chp 4	362.9 BAR
Bartlett, S., Introduction to Education Studies	379.42.BAR
Bates, J., Education Policy, Practice and the Professional	379.42 BAT
Blakemore, K., Social Policy: An Introduction, Chp 7	360 BLA
Bochel, H., Social Policy: Issues and Developments, Chp 5	360 BOC
Cave & Wilkinson, LMS: Some Practical Issues	371.2 CAV
Chitty, C., 'Choose Education,' Sociology Review, April 1997	
Chitty, C., 'The Education System Transformed,' in Sociology Review, February 1993	379.42 CHI
Chitty, C., Education Policy in Britain	
Clarke, J., 'Comprehensive Education Revisited,' Sociology Review, November 1999	
Cook, C. and Stevenson, J., Modern British History, p.p. 157-163	942 COO
Cosin & Hales, Education, Policy & Society	370.193 COS
Downes, Local Management of Schools	371.2 DOW
Dunleavy, P., Developments in British Politics 3, Chp 14	320.42 DUN
Ellison, N. & Pierson, C., Developments in British Social Policy, Chp 9	360 ELL
Ellison, N. & Pierson, C., Developments in British Social Policy 2, Chp 10	360 ELL
Emerson/ Goddard, All about the National Curriculum	375 EME
Fraser, D., Evolution of the British Welfare System, Chp 4	362.9 FRA
Garrod, J., 'Higher Education', Sociology Review, April 2012	
Gladstone, D., British Social Welfare, Chp 2	360 GLA
Glennester, H., British Social Policy since 1945 (see index)	360 GLE
Glennester, H., Paying for Welfare Towards 2000, Chp 12	360 GLE
Gordon, P., Education and Policy in England in the 20 th Century	379.42 GOR
Graves, N., Education Crisis	379.41 GRA
Hantrais, L., Social Policy in the European Union, Chp 3	341.184 HAN
Hill, M., Understanding Social Policy, Chp 9	360 HIL
HMSO, Education	373 HMS
HMSO, Education Reforms in Schools	379 HMS
Hudson, J., The Short Guide to Social Policy, Chp 4	360 HUD
Johnson, P., 20 th Century Britain, Chp 21	942 JOH
Johnson, N., Deconstructing the Welfare State, Chp 5	360 JOH
Jones, B., Political Issues in Britain Today 3 rd ed., Chp 12	320.42 JON
Jones, M., From Beveridge to Blair, Chp 4	362.9 JON
Lawson & Silver, A Social History of Education in England	370.942 LAW
Lewis, G., Rethinking Social Policy, Chp 20	360 LEW
Lowe, The Welfare State since 1945, Chp 8, 13.4 & 15.4	362.9 LOW
Mahoney, Governing Schools	379.15 MAH
Page, R. & Silburn, R., British Social Welfare in the Twentieth Century, Chp 6	362.9 PAG
Peterson, A., A Hundred Years of Education	370.09 PET
Pilkington, C., Issues in British Politics, Chp 6	320.42 PIL
Pole, C., 'Changing Education, Changing Times,' in Sociology Review, September 2001	
Savage, S., Public Policy in Britain, Chp 11	360 SAV

Savage, S. and Alkerson, R., Public Policy under Blair, Chp 10	360 SAV
Sullivan, M., The Development of the Welfare State, Chp 5 & 6	362.9 SUL
Tomlinson, S., Education in a Post-Welfare Society, Chps 1 – 5	379.41 TOM
Ward, T., Key Issues in Education Policy	379.42 WAR
Williams, J., ‘Schooling and Educational Performance,’ Sociology Review, November 2003	
Williams, J., ‘Higher Education Reforms’, Sociology Review, April 2011	
Wolf, A., Does Education Matter?	379.42 WOO
Woodhead, C., Class War: The State of British Education	379.42 WOO
www.education.gov.uk – Department for Education	
 <i>For issues relating to education, gender, ethnicity and social class</i>	
Abercrombie, N., Contemporary British Society (see index)	301 ABE
Archer, L., ‘Social Class and Higher Education’, Sociology Review, November 2011	
Ball, S., ‘Education: the Search for Inequality’ in Social Studies Review, November 1988	
Banks, O., The Sociology of Education, Chp 3 & 4	370.193 BAN
Boliver, V. and Swift, A., ‘Schools and Social Mobility’ Sociology Review, November 2012	370.193 BUR
Burgess, R.G., Sociology, Education and Schools, Chps 3 and 4	
Churton, M., ‘Education and Inclusion,’ in Sociology Review, September 2000	
Clarke, J., ‘Ethnicity and Education Revisited,’ Sociology Review, November 1997	
Coldron., J., ‘Social Segregation in British Schools’, Sociology Review, September 2011	
Garrod, J., ‘Low Educational Achievement,’ Sociology Review, February 2008	
Garrod, J., ‘Education Gender Gap’, Sociology Review, April 2004	
Haralambos, M., Sociology: Themes and Perspectives (See index)	301 HAR
Lewis, G., Rethinking Social Policy, Chp 6	
Maxwell, C. and Aggleton, P., ‘Private Education, Gender and Social Class’, Sociology Review, November 2011	
Mitsos, E., ‘Racism and Schooling’, Sociology Review, February 2003	
Pilcher, J., Women in Contemporary Britain, Chp 2	305.4 PIL
Reay, D., ‘Education and Social Class,’ Sociology Review, November 2007	
Reid, I., ‘Education and Inequality,’ Sociology Review, November 1996	
Reynolds, K., ‘Feminist Thinking on Education,’ Social Studies Review, March 1991	
Saunders, P., ‘A British Bell Curve?’ Sociology Review, November 1996	
Sociology Review, ‘Education, Inequality and Identity,’ Sociology Review, September 1999	
Tomlinson, S., Education in a Post-Welfare Society, esp Chps 7 & 8	379.41 TOM
Tomlinson, S., Race and Education	301.45 TOM
Williams, J., ‘Social Mobility and Elites’, Sociology Review, February 2015	
Wragg, T., ‘Education Policy and Class inequality,’ Sociology Review, April 2005	

e-books:

Alcock, P., The Student’s Companion to Social Policy, Part IV, section 10

Broadfoot, A., Planel, C. and Osborn, M, 'Promoting Quality in Learning: Does England have the Answer?'

The National Health Service

i.) For History and Development see:

Bevan & Perrin, The National Health Service (In NHS Reports & Articles Box)	362.5 BEA
Fraser, D., Evolution of the British Welfare System, Chps 3 & 4	362.9 FRA
Gladstone, D., British Social Welfare, Chp 5	360 GLA
Glennester, H., British Social Policy since 1945 (see index)	360 GLE
Green, D., Challenge to the NHS	362.1 GRE
Jones, H., Health and Society in Twentieth Century Britain	362.1 JON
Ham, C., Health Policy in Britain, Chps 1 and 2	362.1 HAM
HMSO, Health of the Nation	362.1 DEP
HMSO, The Health Services since the War	362.9 HMS
Johnson, N., Deconstructing the Welfare State, Chp 4	360 JOH
Jones, H., Health and Society in Twentieth Century Britain	362.1 JON
Jones, M., From Beveridge to Blair, Chp 3	362.9 JON
Lowe, R., The Welfare State, Chp 7	362.9 LOW
Rivett, G., From Cradle to Grave, Chp 1	362.1 RIV
Sullivan, M., The Development of the Welfare State, Chp 7, p.40-42, p.56-61	362.9 SUL
Taylor, R., God Bless the NHS	362.1 TAY
Young, A., The Politics of the Welfare State, Chp 5	360 YOU
Webster, C., The National Health Service	362.1 WEB
Whitehead, M., Inequalities in Health: The Health Divide	362.1 WHI

ii.) For Contemporary Issues see:

Abercrombie, N., Contemporary British Society, Chp 15	301 ABE
Alcock, P., Social Policy in Britain, Chp 4	360 ALC
Alcock, P., The Student's Companion to Social Policy, Part IV, section 9	360 ALC
Allsop, J., Health Policy & the NHS towards 2000	362.1 ALL
Baldock, T., Social Policy, Chp 14	360 BAL
Bartholomew, J., The Welfare State We're In, Chp 3	362.9 BAR
Blakemore, K., Social Policy: an Introduction, Chp 9	360 BLA
Bochel, H., Social Policy: Issues and Developments, Chp 8	360 BOC
Brennan, M., 'Choosing Ill Health? Gender, Class and Behaviour,' in Sociology Review, Feb 1998	
Browne, K., & Bottrill, I., Our Unequally Unhealthy Nation,' Sociology Review, November 1999	
Culley and Dyson, 'Race, Inequality and Health,' in Sociology Review, September 1993	
Day, P. and Klein, R., Health Service	
The Department of Health, Choosing Health: Making Healthy Choices Easier	360 DOH
The Economist, How to Pay for the NHS, 15 th -21 st March 1997 (In NHS Reports, Articles Box)	
Ellison, N. & Pierson, C., Developments in British Social Policy, Chp 8	360 ELL
Ellison, N. & Pierson, C., Developments in British Social Policy 2, Chp 11	360 ELL
Girling, R., Where You Live May be the Death of You (In NHS Reports & Articles Box)	362.1 GIR
Glennester, H., Paying for Welfare towards 2000, Chp 10	360 GLE
Ham, C., Health Policy in Britain, Chps 3,4,5 and 8	362.1 HAM
Hill, M., Understanding Social Policy, Chp 7	360 HIL
HMSO, The New NHS (In NHS Reports & Articles Box)	362.1 NHS

Hudson, J., The Short Guide to Social Policy, Chp 5	360 HUD
Hunt, S., 'The Race and Health Inequalities Debate,' in Sociology Review, September 1995	
Klein, R., The New Politics of the NHS	362.1 KLE
Lowe, R., The Welfare State, Sections 13.3 and 15.3	362.9 LOW
Mason, D., Race and Ethnicity in Modern Britain, Chp 8	301.45 MAS
Maxwell, R., Reshaping the NHS	362.1 MAX
New Statesman, 21 st Century NHS (In NH Reports & Articles Box)	362.1 NEW
O'Donnell, M., 'Your Good Health,' in Sociology Review, September 1992	
Page, R. & Silburn, R., British Social Welfare in the Twentieth Century, Chp 7	362.9 PAG
Pilkington, A., Racial Disadvantage and Ethnic Diversity in Britain, p.p. 99-102	301.45 PIL
Pilkington, C, Issues in British Politics, Chp 6	320.42 PIL
Poor Health: Social Inequality before and after the Black Report in Contemporary British History, Vol 16, No. 3 (In George III Room)	
Rivett, G., From Cradle to Grave, Chp 5	362.1 RIV
Roberts, H., 'Women, Health and Health Care,' in Sociology Review, April 1993	
Savage, S., Public Policy in Britain, Chp 9	360 SAV
Savage, S. and Alkerson, R., Public Policy under Blair, Chp 8	360 SAV
Wall, A. & Owen, B., Health Policy	362.1 WAL
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Essay Questions

The first essay is to be handed in no later than 5pm on the Thursday of week seven. Essays should be approximately 1,500-2,000 words. All essays should be properly referenced with a bibliography.

1. Critically assess different theoretical explanations for why we have a welfare state in Britain.
2. Explain why Sir William Beveridge's 1942 report on *Social Insurance and Allied Services* argued that tackling 'Want' would not be enough to solve the problem of poverty in Britain. What were the report's guiding principles and what assumptions did Beveridge make when he wrote his report? What were Beveridge's specific recommendations for tackling 'Want'?
3. What is 'poverty' and is it really a problem in Britain today? Why do some people continue to be in poverty?
4. Explain why Britain's system of social security utilizes insurance-based, means-tested and universal benefits. What are the strengths and weaknesses of each?

5. Examine the economic, behavioural and institutional causes of unemployment and consider how these explanations have shaped employment policy.
6. *'Recent government have remained defenders of the traditional family and have favoured strong government actions and incentives to sustain this institution. Discuss.*
7. Explain why, despite the creation of a welfare state in the 1940s, personal social care services were relatively neglected in the immediate post-war period. Why did social care services expand in the decades that followed and continued to expand, despite Mrs Thatcher's desire to limit the role of social workers?

The second essay to be handed in no later than 5pm on the Thursday of week twelve.

8. *"The main objective of education policy between 1944 and 1979 was to provide equal opportunity for all."* Discuss.
9. Explain why the post-1988 school system may be said to rest on market principles.
10. Examine health care in Britain before the foundation of the National Health Service in 1948 and explain why a nationalised health care system was seen as beneficial. Why did Aneurin Bevan encounter opposition to the creation of the National Health Service and how did he overcome this opposition?
11. To what extent is the division between the NHS and the private sector blurred and indistinct?
12. Why did post-war governments invest heavily in the provision of public housing and why, in the 1980s, did Margaret Thatcher's governments encourage the sale of this stock?

Notes on the preparation and presentation of essays

- a) Space should be left in the left-hand margin for notes and comments.
- b) You must place your name, and the full title of the question you are attempting at the top of the first page. Pages should also be numbered.
- c) Essays should be approximately 1,500-2,000 words in length.
- d) Quotations, references to other work and factual assertions should be properly referenced. Any referencing style (e.g. Harvard) is acceptable.
- e) A bibliography, quoting books, websites, e-books, articles etc. used should be included at the end of the essay.
- f) Work must be handed in by the due date. Work handed in late will be failed.
- g) Plagiarising, either from published printed work, the internet or from the work of colleagues is not acceptable and any essays found to contain plagiarism will be failed.

Tips on written work

Keep it relevant! Be careful not to stray from what the question is asking you.

Answer the question logically. Set out the points you wish to make step-by-step, and support each assertion with relevant evidence. Unsupported arguments (however relevant to an essay) cannot be graded as highly as those which are defended by relevant evidence. On the other hand, essays should not constitute a collection of factual statements.

Every argument or assertion you make must be backed by evidence. Every piece of evidence you include must relate to your arguments.

Be cautious to avoid sloppy grammar, poor spelling and long sentences as they detract from even the finest of essays. It is always wise to re-read essays a few times after you have completed them to weed out such mistakes.

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