Laboratorio Analisis de Caso

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The present contribution aims at presenting the Cases Analysis Lab (LAC) of the Bachelor in Social Services of Turin University, introduced in 2011 among the driving activities of the second traineeship; it allows the student to observe and fully experience the role exercise, the methodological/ethical/relational aspects and the tools of Social Services declined in the specificities of chosen field of intervention, in terms that pertain the "three-focality" concept.

The LAC accompanies the traineeship experience, by approaching students to the reflective thinking and by supporting them in the process of joining theory to practice, in such a way to facilitate the acquisition of skills in the critical analysis of activity, observed and experienced in operational situations, promoting an organic connection with the theoretical references.

It is also proposed to provide an analysis method useful for the future professional activity, but even before for the State examination, that must be absolutely passed to obtain the qualification to practice and for the registration to the Albo, which is mandatory to practice as a social worker. Simulation tests of the State examination are carried out.

The teaching method is active and also makes use of creative productions supplied by the students, such as performance, video, music and photography.

The evaluation of this educational activity makes use of a satisfaction questionnaire, distributed to all the students, through which it is possible to collect their feedback; the results indicate that the LAC allows the student to compare himself in an experiential, experimental and professional way, by acquiring job skills at an individual and group level. It is also considered as an opportunity to connect theory to practice, under the teachers' direction, but also a space for discussion among peers and of knowledge of different organizational and territorial settings, in which the several training experiences are produced.