

OEL312 Overseas Experiential Learning (Vietnam)

Level: 3

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JAN

Synopsis:

Through this overseas study mission, we seek to expose students to social work development in the Vietnamese context, particularly in the largest and densely populated Ho Chi Minh City. Students will also be able to learn about best practices in programme implementation and design, training and professional development through visits to social work organisations, NGOs and various welfare and foundations, and through purposeful dialogues and interaction with professional social workers, counterparts in training, and the various community stakeholders. While the focus is predominantly on social work and human development, students will understand the historical, political and economic context and development in the nation, and how this (uneven) growth and development have amounted to some social issues that the community faces today.

Topics:

- Contemporary geopolitical, social and socio-economic issues pertaining to Vietnam's development
- The social and welfare support for social work sectors such as in Youth, Elderly, Rural Development and Disability
- Social innovation and social enterprises in Vietnam

Learning Outcome:

- Examine the key drivers behind the social and socio-economic development policies in Vietnam
- Compare systems of social welfare and social work support network between Singapore and Vietnam through dialogues with the various stakeholders
- Discuss the role of social enterprises and grassroots organisations in economic and social development
- Appraise the rich culture and history of the place and people
- Develop stronger interpersonal and communication skills and cross-cultural competencies through collaboration with Vietnamese youth counterparts and professional social workers
- Develop critical analysis and comparative proficiencies through critical discussions and comparative reviews of social systems and models
- Demonstrate greater sensitivities, understanding and appreciation of the Vietnamese culture.

Assessment Strategies:

Continuous Assessment Component	Weightage (%)
QUIZ	15
GROUP BASED ASSIGNMENT	25
GROUP BASED ASSIGNMENT	40
TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT	20
Sub-Total	100

Examinable Component	Weightage (%)
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