

SWK403 Social Work Practice II: Groupwork and Community Organisation

Level: 4

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY SEMESTER

Synopsis:

Social Work Practice II: Groupwork and Community Organisation teaches the other two contemporary methods of social work: groupwork and community organisation. The emphasis is on applying strengths-based, planned change and the generalist model to practice with a variety of groups including task groups, support groups, treatment groups and educational groups and diverse communities. The course focuses on understanding the process and skills in working with groups and communities at the various stages. Theories of community development will be covered along with types of advocacy and approaches to ameliorate adverse environmental conditions will also be covered.

Topics:

- Introduction: Need for social work groups and human communities and Strengths perspective in groups and communities
- Types of social work groups: Elements of task and therapeutic groups and Purpose of social groups
- Group work theory
- Stages of groupwork
- Working with communities
- Specific issues group and community work

Textbooks:

Ellen F. Netting, Peter M. Kettner, Steve McMurty: Social Work Macro Practice, 5th Ed 5th edition
Pearson
ISBN-13: 9789814576161-AA

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Toseland, Ronald, W. & Rivas, Robert, F.: An Introduction to Group Work Practice (eBook) 8th
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Learning Outcome:

- Examine systems and problem solving theories and the strengths perspective as applied to work with groups and communities
- Analyze group work and community organisation theory and knowledge
- Evaluate the social change process using research and evaluation skills
- Discuss ethical issues in social work practice with groups and communities.
- Assess groups and communities with knowledge of human growth and behavior and social environment.
- Plan purposeful group and community work in culturally appropriate ways

Assessment Strategies:

Continuous Assessment Component	Weightage (%)
TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT	50
Sub-Total	50

Examinable Component	Weightage (%)
Written Exam	50
Sub-Total	50

Weightage Total **100**