

SWK511 Contemporary Social Work Issues and Practice

Level: 5

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY SEMESTER

Synopsis:

Contemporary Social Work Issues and Practice is intended to update students on contemporary theories and current research on social work practice. It extends advanced skills of working with individuals, families, groups and communities. Students will be able to integrate knowledge of human behaviour and culture context in assessment, planning and intervention and evaluation for advanced practice. Critical analysis of the impact of discrimination and diversity in practice will also be included. From time to time, specific issues and areas of social work practice, such as brief treatment, crisis intervention, solution-focused therapy, evidenced-based and competency-based practice will be highlighted in this course.

Topics:

- Theoretical perspectives in social work practice
- Bridging micro to macro practice
- Models of intervention
- Skills in social work assessment and intervention

Textbooks:

Derald Wing Sue.: Multicultural Social Work Practice, 2nd edition <eBook> John Wiley
ISBN-13: 9781118551110

Derald Wing Sue.: Multicultural Social Work Practice, 2nd edition <eBook> John Wiley
ISBN-13: 9781118551110-AA

Learning Outcome:

- Discuss current methods for generalist professional social work practice.
- Assess client system using knowledge of human growth and behavior, gender, race/culture, social class, age, differing abilities, sexual orientation, and spirituality.
- Design assessment and intervention skills appropriate to the practice theory in a various practice settings.
- Apply knowledge and understanding of the theory to social work practice with diverse client systems.
- Appraise values, principles and ethical dilemmas that arise in social work practice.
- Evaluate pertinent research findings to current models of practice with individuals, and families, groups and communities.

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**