

SWK401 Social Work Practice I: Social Casework and Family Intervention

Level: 4

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY SEMESTER

Synopsis:

Social Work Practice I: Social Casework & Family Intervention is the systematic application of knowledge and skills for purposeful therapeutic change. The person-in-environment theories including systems theories and problem-solving model emphasize individual and family in interaction with the social environment. Using the conceptual framework of developmental needs for the choice of models for assessment and intervention in a variety of practice settings, the course incorporates the social work process of engagement, assessment, planning, implementation, intervention, evaluation, and termination. The strengths-based, planned change perspectives also emphasized the development a professional relationship with clients and the client network.

Topics:

- What is social work
- Roles of social workers and ethics
- Systems and ecological model
- Psychodynamic Theory
- Strengths perspective
- Intake and assessment
- Case plan and intervention
- Evaluation and termination
- Phases of the helping relationship
- Interviewing techniques
- Use of self in social work
- Risk and crisis management

Textbooks:

Donald Collins, Cathleen Jordan, & Heather Coleman: An Introduction to Family Work, 4/e <eBook>
4 Cengage
ISBN-13: 9789814875745

Malcolm Payne: Modern Social Work Theory, 5th Edition (eBook) Red Globe Press
ISBN-13: 9781352011098

Learning Outcome:

- Apply major theoretical practice theories for working with individuals and families.
- Evaluate individuals and families holistically, based on a synthesis of knowledge of biological, psychological, social, cultural and spiritual influences
- Discuss commonly encountered ethical issues and principles in work with diverse individuals and families and learn factors to consider in resolving ethical dilemmas
- Appraise the helping process in the generalist planned change model based on the strengths perspective: engagement, assessment, planning, intervention, evaluation, termination.
- Compare major social work roles such as therapist, counselor, educator, broker, case manager, advocate, facilitator, and mediator
- Formulate an intervention plan

Assessment Strategies (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	50
Overall Examinable Components	Written Exam	50
Total		100