

SWK487 Social Work Field Seminars – Placement 1

Level: 4

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JULY

Synopsis:

This is a series of seminars and workshops aimed at preparing students for their first field education placement, as well as to review students' progress during their placement. This integrative course runs parallel to the first placement and students are expected to reflect, process, analyse and discuss their experiences working in the agencies they have been placed. It is aimed at integrating theories and knowledge gained in other courses with students' practice experience in their field placements. In the seminars, students are expected to share their field experience to enable cross-learning from diverse social work contexts and environments. Students are expected to show evidence of how they have integrated the theories and values of social work in practice.

Topics:

- Preparing for Field Placement
- Structuring my learning
- Understanding field placement over time
- Getting to know my agency
- Professional relationship and supervision
- Values and Ethics in Social Work Practice
- Generalist practice
- Record Keeping and Documentation
- Positive Termination
- Evaluating my learning

Textbooks:

Pamela Myers Kiser: The Human Services Internship: Getting the Most from Your Experience (eBook)
4th Edition Cengage
ISBN-13: 9789814834995

Learning Outcome:

- Integrate social work theories and values into field practice.
- Compare and discuss social work practices in diverse environments.
- Reflect and appraise values and assumptions on social work practice.
- Examine and discuss challenges related to field education.
- Integrate theories of social work practice related to the progress of their field education.
- Demonstrate key skills set out in the National Social Work Competency Framework.
- Demonstrate social work values related to cross-cultural practice.

Assessment Strategies (Daytime Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PRE-COURSE QUIZ 1	10
	PARTICIPATION 1	30
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	60
Total		100