

SWK498 Social Work Applied Project

Level: 4

Credit Units: 10 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JULY

Synopsis:

This course prepares senior social work undergraduate students to conduct a research-based project on a relevant social issue and report their findings. Students will need to integrate the various knowledge domains from the social work courses they had undertaken in the programme to identify, conceptualise and analyse the social issue of interest to them. In this course, students are expected to critically evaluate common social work research practices and carry out a research project on their own. Each student's research project will be supervised by a social work faculty.

Topics:

- Introduction to social work research
- Conceptualisation and identification of research topic
- Literature review
- Research methodology
- Programme and process evaluation designs
- Project Proposal
- Ethical considerations
- Data collection
- Analysis
- Implications and recommendations
- Report writing
- Present findings to a target audience

Textbooks:

SWK498 Study Guide (UDC - SUSS) SUSS
ISBN-13: SG-2130

Empowerment Series: Essential Research Methods for Social Work 4th Allen Rubin & Earl R. Babbie
Cengage
ISBN-13: 9789814866774

Learning Outcome:

- Propose relevant social issues or areas of social work practice that require research and evaluation.
- Select an appropriate research topic that contributes to social work practice and policy.
- Critique existing research on the research topic identified.
- Formulate clear research questions and objectives.
- Assess and construct an appropriate research design.
- Collect research data from relevant sources.
- Analyse the data using appropriate techniques.
- Assess the research findings against the research objectives and implications for social work practice.
- Prepare the final research report.

Assessment Strategies - Regular Semester (Daytime Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PROJECT PROPOSAL 1	20
Overall Examinable Components	FINAL REPORT	80
Total		100

*The information listed is subject to review and change.