

## **SWK499 Capstone Social Work Project**

**Level:** 4

**Credit Units:** 10 Credit Units

**Language:** ENGLISH

**Presentation Pattern:** EVERY JAN

### **Synopsis:**

The Capstone course in the Honours programme requires the course participants to choose a research topic, collect data, analyse the findings and submit a dissertation of 6,000 words, all under the guidance of a dissertation supervisor.

### **Topics:**

- Topic selection and literature review
- Research Methodology
- Programme evaluation
- Preparing the research proposal
- Data collection
- Data analysis
- Presentation, interpretation and discussion of results
- Presenting your research project
- Report writing
- Publishing your thesis
- Summative Evaluation

### **Textbooks:**

Debora J. Bell, Sharon L. Foster, and John D. Cone: Dissertations and Theses From Start to Finish: Psychology and Related Fields 3rd American Psychological Association  
ISBN-13: 9781433830648

**Learning Outcome:**

- Develop an overview of the research process.
- Demonstrate an appreciation of the theory of research.
- Apply statistics for data analysis.
- Examine the literature on a topic and formulate a suitable research question.
- Design a rigorous research methodology to examine the proposed research question.
- Use SPSS statistical software or other computer programs to perform data analysis.
- Verify knowledge of presentation skills for research projects.
- Show competency in writing a research thesis.
- Illustrate ability to analyze data and interpret results critically.
- Collect information and data from a range of sources.
- Analyse the quality of research done by other researchers.
- Appraise the state of knowledge in a particular field of knowledge.

**Assessment Strategies (Evening Class):**

<b>Components</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Weightage Allocation (%)</b>
Overall Continuous Assessment	ORAL EXAM 1	10
	PROJECT PROPOSAL 1	20
Overall Examinable Components	Project	70
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>