Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: SOWK-210 Social Work Methods & Practices I / Micro Systems

Department: Social Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
SOWK-210	Social Work Methods & Practices I / Micro Systems	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	Completion of Foundation of Social Work Practice
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Lower Division	English

Course Description

This introductory module examines one of the three main methods of Social Work (Case Social Work) as a vital tool for developing an on-going relationship with clients. It highlights these values and ethics that differentiate Case Social Work in comparison with the other two methods, Communities and Group Social Work. In addition, Case Social Work I look at issues such as the value of client relationship, its therapeutic effects and knowledge of skills on how to acquire a psychosocial history (assessment stage) and how to make a diagnosis. Students are expected to demonstrate understanding of the relationship of interpersonal skills to social work practice and to demonstrate initial mastery of the basic helping skills

Prerequisites

Completion of Foundation of Social Work Practice

Topic Areas

- 1. Development of Case Social Work a historical account
- 2. Characteristics of case social work
- 3. Skills and techniques needed in order to apply case social work
- 4. Values, principles and ethics in case social work
- 5. Stages of Case social work (intake, assessment, diagnosis)
- 6. interviewing skills

Readings and Resources

Required Textbook

• Timberlake, E., M, et al (2002). The general method of social work practice: McMahon's generalist perspective. Boston, MA: Allyn and Bacon