

Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: SOWK-303 Social Work with Families

Department: Social Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
SOWK-303	Social Work with Families	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	Full Progression in the Program
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Upper Division	English

Course Description

This course is designed to provide students with an overview of child and family welfare services from an historical, theoretical and practice perspective. Services to children and their families are divided into support services (those which enhance family life), supplemental services (that help the struggling family to maintain or regain balance) and, substitute services (those that provide for the child when the family cannot on either a temporary or permanent basis). Services are also discussed in the light of their provision to a variety of diverse populations.

Prerequisites

Full Progression in the Program

Topic Areas

1. Learn the family dynamics and indicators of mal treatment and effective interventions on the micro and macro levels.
2. Distinguishing the extent of the problem and assessing the effects on children.
3. Treatment issues.
4. The social worker's role in a multidisciplinary team approach.
5. How to advocate for individuals and families.

Readings and Resources

Required Textbooks

- Crosson-Tower, Cynthia (2001) Exploring Child Welfare: A Practice Perspective, Needham Heights, MA: Allyn and Bacon.
- Crosson tower, Cynthia (2002) Understanding Child Abuse and Neglect 5th ed., Needham Heights, MA: Allyn and Bacon.
- Benton, M. Runyan, S (1997) Understanding the Medical Diagnosis of Child Maltreatment: A guide for Non-Medical professional.
- Wiehe, V (1996) Working with Child Abuse and Neglect, A primer, sage Publisher, Beverly Hill, CA.

