Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: SOWK-340 Social Work Research

Department: Social Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
SOWK-340	Social Work Research	4
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	Completion of numerical literacy liberal arts requirement
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Upper Division	English

Course Description

This course is required for upper-division social work students, although qualified students from other disciplines are welcome. The primary goal is to develop the student's use and appreciation of scientific knowledge for practice. (CPS B6.12") this includes study and integrating knowledge, skills and values in the areas of social work values and ethics, diversity, social and economic justice, populations-at-risk, human behavior and the social environment, social welfare policy and services, social work practice, and field. (CPS B6.1) The course also focuses onto both practice evaluation and program evaluation issues. The course is designed to strengthen the student's understanding and appreciation of a scientific, analytic approach to building knowledge for the delivery and evaluation of practice. (CPS B6.2).

Prerequisites

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Topic Areas

- 1. Research and Generalist Social Work Practice.
- 2. Formulating Questions for Research.
- 3. Developing Questions for Research.
- 4. Data Collection.
- 5. Analysis of Qualitative Data.
- 6. Project Preview.
- 7. Sampling.
- 8. Group Design.
- 9. Single-System Design.
- 10. Organizing the Data.
- 11. Analysis of Quantitative Data: Descriptive Statistics.
- 12. Analysis of Quantitative Data: Descriptive Statistics and Inferential Approaches.
- 13. Analysis of Quantitative Data: Inferential Statistics.
- 14. Research Writing.

Readings and Resources

Required Textbook

Three texts are required for this course:

- Research Methods for Generalist Social Work, Christine Marlow, Brooks/Cole Publishing Company, Pacific Grove, CA, 1993.
- Interpreting Basic Statistics, Zealure C. Holcomb, Pyrczak Publishing, Los Angeles, CA, 1992.
- The Indianapolis Hispanic Community. Charles Guthrie, Dan Briere, Mary Moore, University of Indianapolis Press, Indianapolis Press, Indianapolis, IN, 1995.