# **Global Learning Semesters**

**Course Syllabus** 

Course: SOWK-411 Social Work in European Union

Department: Social Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
SOWK-411	Social Work in European Union	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**

The course covers social work in the settings of different European countries i.e. Scandinavian model. Utilizing a comparative approach analysis is made of local realities. The student will study basic concepts and processes needed to understand contemporary social problems and the changing nature of welfare. Examination of the role of the state, the market, the voluntary sector and families in supporting those with needs, and how these different systems of support develop – or otherwise - over time. Students develop self-awareness of their own social ethic and those of other in the European Union.

## **Prerequisites**

Full progression in the Program

# **Topic Areas**

- 1. The European Community and Social Work
- 2. Comparative Health and Welfare Policies
- 3. International Perspective Europe in Context
- 4. Comparative Social Work
- 5. International Perspective Anti-oppressive and Anti-racist Practice
- 6. Social Exclusion, Social Action and Social Work: Ethics and Values
- 7. European Perspectives: European Welfare States
- 8. Policy Research in the Real Wildcat.

## **Readings and Resources**

#### Required Textbook(s)

- Atkinson, A.B. (1998), Poverty in Europe (Blackwell)
- Rhodes, Martin & Yves Meny (1998) The Future of European Welfare: A New Social Contract? (St.Martin's Press)