

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	APSS 5780																	
Subject Title	Advanced Social Work Theory and Practice I																	
Credit Value	3																	
Level	5																	
Pre-requisite	APSS5792 Critical Introduction to Social Work * <i>* for students admitted in the MSW programme in 2017/18 and thereafter</i>																	
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Objectives	<p>This course examines social work practice and will introduce a holistic parametric framework for understanding the link between individual-social phenomenon and micro-macro levels of actions; and the change process in generalist practice. Students will develop values, knowledge and skills necessary for the provision of professional services to individuals, families, groups and communities within the framework of generalist practice.</p>																	
Intended Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. conceptualize individual, and/or family issues, and/or social problems according to the parametric framework of social work practice; b. identify and select the most relevant and appropriate relational modalities for intervention; and c. perform the roles and tasks of social workers in working with service users in different phases of the generalist helping process 																	

Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Critical examination of the <i>generalist and unifying frameworks</i> and the development <i>a parametric framework</i> in conceptualizing social work practice. 2. Mastery of the <i>general process model</i> of social work practice --- its application in working with individuals and families, groups, and community. 3. Appreciation of the <i>four major working modalities</i> in social work practice and its basic theories in social work tradition. 4. Critical understanding of the roles played by the <i>socio-political, cultural and historical context</i> in shaping the construction of social work theories. 																																		
Teaching/Learning Methodology	<p>Lectures will be used to introduce theories, concepts and factual knowledge. Seminar presentations and discussions will be used to explore controversial issues related to theories and practice. Laboratory exercises will help students identify and recognize relevant skill sets.</p>																																		
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Student Study Effort Expected	Class contact:	
	▪ Lecture	26 Hrs.
	▪ Seminar	13 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	▪ Self-study (3 hrs x14 weeks)	42 Hrs.
	▪ Preparation for Seminar Presentation	10 Hrs.
	▪ Preparation for Term Paper	25 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	116 Hrs.
Reading List and References	<p><u>Basic texts</u></p> <p>Johnson, L.C., & Yanca, S.J. (2010). <i>Social work practice: A generalist approach</i>. (10th ed.). Prentice-Hall.</p> <p>Hepworth, D. H., Vang, P. D.; Blakey, J. M., Schwalbe, C., Evans, C. B. R., Rooney, R. H., Rooney, G. D., Strom-Gottfried, K.(2023). <i>Direct social work practice : theory and skills</i> (11th ed.). Cengage Learning.</p> <p>Kirst-Ashman, K. K., & Hull, G. H. (2018). <i>Understanding generalist practice</i> (8th ed.). Cengage Learning.</p> <p><u>Social work as a profession</u></p> <p>Banks, S. (2021). <i>Ethics and values in social work</i>. (5th ed.). Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.</p> <p>Cornell, K. L. (2006). Person-in-situation: History, theory, and new directions for social work practice. <i>Praxis</i>, 6, 50-57.</p> <p>Morales, A. T., Sheafor, B. W., & Scott, M. E. (2010). <i>Social work: A profession of many faces</i>. (12th ed.). Allyn & Bacon.</p> <p>版) 。香港 : 商務印</p> <p><u>Working with individuals and families</u></p> <p>Boyle, S. W., Hull, G. H., Mather, J. H., Smith, L. L., & Farley, O. W. (2014). <i>Direct Practice in Social Work</i>. Pearson/Allyn and Bacon.</p> <p>Johnson, L.C., & Yanca, S.J. (2010). <i>Social work practice: A generalist approach</i>. (10th ed.). Prentice-Hall.</p> <p>Turner, J. F. (ed.). (2017). <i>Social work treatment: Interlocking theoretical approaches</i> (6th Ed.). Oxford University Press.</p>	

高劉寶慈、朱亮基編。(2006)。《個人工作與家庭治療：理論及案例》。香港：中文大學出版社。

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Working with groups

Corey, M.S., Corey, G., & Corey, C. (2018). *Groups: Process and practice* (10th ed.). Brooks/Cole.

Toseland, R. W., & Rivas, R. F. (2017). *An introduction to group work practice* (8th ed.). Pearson Allyn and Bacon.

Yalom, I., & Leszcz. M. (2020). *The theory and practice of group psychotherapy* (6th ed.). Basic Books.

林孟平 (2005)。《小組輔導與心理治療(第四版)》。香港：商務印書館。

Working with communities

Henderson, P. & Thomas, D. (2023). *Skills in neighbourhood work* (5th ed.). Routledge.

Rothman, J. (ed.) (2008). *Strategies of Community Intervention* (7th ed.). Peosta: Eddie Bowers Publishing Co., Inc.

甘炳光、胡文龍等(編)(2006)。《社區工作技巧》。香港：香港社區工作教育工作者聯會。

Useful journals

China Journal of Social Work

Hong Kong Journal of Social Work

British Journal of Social Work

Social Work

International Social Work

Research on Social Work Practice

Children and Youth Services Review

Clinical Social Work Journal

Qualitative Social Work Journal of Social Work

Journal of Social Work Practice

	<p><i>Journal of Social Casework</i></p> <p><i>The American Journal of Family Therapy</i></p> <p><i>Journal of Family Therapy</i></p> <p><i>Social Work with Groups</i></p> <p><i>Journal of Community Practice</i></p> <p><i>Community Development Journal</i></p> <p><i>Asia Pacific Journal of Social Work and Development.</i></p>
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