## **Subject Description Form**

Subject Code	APSS 5785			
Subject Title	MSW Integrative Seminar in Social Work Studies			
Credit Value	2			
Level	5			
Pre-requisite	APSS5780 Advanced Social Work Theory and Practice I APSS5781 Advanced Social Work Theory and Practice II APSS5783 MSW Fieldwork I APSS5790 Social Work Practice Workshop APSS5792 Critical Introduction to Social Work * * for students admitted in the MSW programme in 2017/18 and thereafter			
Co-requisite	APSS5784 MSW Fieldwork II			
Assessment Methods	100% Continuous Assessment	Individual Assessment	Group Assessment	
	1. Participation	20%		
	2. Presentation	30%		
	3. Term Paper	50%		
	The grade is calculated according to the percentage assigned. The completion and submission of all component assignments are required for passing the subject. Student must pass all the components, that is, achieve a minimum grade of D in each component of assessment, if he/she is to pass the subject.			
Objectives	<ol> <li>examine the concept 'integration' in social work;</li> <li>study examples of integrating concerns of social work with educational study, nursing study, organizational study, philosophy and psychology.</li> <li>reflect on the implications of knowledge, professional, and practice integration for social work .</li> </ol>			
Intended Learning	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:			
Outcomes	a. examine the concepts of 'knowledge integration', 'professional integration' and 'practice integration';			

	b. appraise the intera possible effects;	actional force	es in the pe	rsonal-prof	ession inte	rface and its
	c. modify, expand and revise essential concepts in social work literature by integrating cross-discipline experience and knowledge;					
	d. progress towards	Bi-Professio	nal Identity	y Integratio	n.	
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	1. Concepts of integration in social work – knowledge integration, professional integration and practice integration.					
	2. Caring in social w	vork – an int	egrative st	ance		
	3. Dialectics & polarities – integrating opposite forces					
	4. Personal project in	n knowledge	, professio	nal and pra	ctice integr	ration.
Teaching/Learning Methodology	Lectures, discussions and reflective exercises will be used to promote conceptual understanding and self-understanding. Seminars will be organized for students to present their attempt and findings in an individual personal project of integration. A piece of written assignment on this project will be submitted taking into consideration of the feedbacks from fellow students and subject/seminars teachers in the presentation.					
Assessment Methods in Alignment with	Specific assessment methods/tasks%Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)					
Intended Learning Outcomes			а	b	с	d
	1. Participation	20	J	J	V	1
	2. Seminar presentation	30	J	J	V	J
	3. Term paper	50	V	V	V	J
	Total	100%		1		
	<ul> <li>Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:</li> <li>Participation is important for capturing and understanding essential concepts related to integration. This includes proper attendance, and completing specific exercises which promote reflection and facilitate understanding;</li> </ul>				g the	
					eting	
	• The seminar pres a student's proje would stimulate	ect in integration	on; feedbacl	ks from class	smates and	teacher

Student Study	<ul> <li>views and ideas; hence dialogue, discussion and debate in oral form with visual aids are appropriate;</li> <li>Upon hearing feedbacks from teacher and classmates, each student refines his or her work and presents it in the form of an academic paper; hence written work is required;</li> <li>The seminar presentation and term paper are two integral parts of the same project, hence all four expected outcomes are included in the assessment of both; however, the expected outcomes should emerge progressively from the former to the latter.</li> </ul>	
Effort Expected	• Lecture	12 Hrs.
	Seminar	14 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	Reading course materials	26 Hrs.
	<ul> <li>Consultation with subject teacher</li> </ul>	2 Hrs.
	<ul> <li>Preparation and writing up</li> </ul>	26 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	80 Hrs.
Reading List and References	Reading List       80 Hrs.         Benet-Martínez, V. & Haritatos, J. (2005). Bicultural Identity Integration (BII): Components and Psychosocial Antecedents, <i>Journal of Personality</i> . 73:4, 1015-1049.         Benner, Patricia and Gordon, Suzanne, (1996) 'Caring Practice', in <i>Caregiving:</i> <i>Readings in Knowledge, Practice, Ethics, and Politics</i> , eds. Suzanne Gordon, Patricia Benner & Nel Noddings, Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 40-55.         Biestek, Felix P., (1961) <i>The Casework Relationship</i> (London: Unwin University Press).         Buchbinder, E. (2007) 'Being a social worker as an existential commitment: from vulnerability to meaningful purpose', <i>The Humanistic Psychologist</i> , vol. 35, no. 2, 161-174.         Cheng, C., & Lee, F. (2013). The Malleability of Bicultural Identity Integration (BII). Journal of Cross-cultural Psychology, 44(8), 1235-1240.	

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