

WELF 7024 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE METHODS 2

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 102396

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Description Social Work Practice Methods 2 introduces theories and skills for work with groups and communities in diverse practice settings. This subject will provide students with the opportunity to develop core group work, community work and community development skills. Students will engage in simulated practice activities in Western's Social Work Skills Lab.

School Social Sciences

Discipline Social Work

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 1792 Master of Social Work (Qualifying)

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Assess social work theories, models and methods for practice with groups and communities.
2. Reflect on personal values in a way that allows professional values to guide community work and community development practice.
3. Integrate social work theories, models and methods to facilitate group work practice.
4. Apply group and community work skills and knowledge to diverse fields of practice including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, cross cultural work, mental health and child wellbeing.
5. Examine ethics in group work and strategies of ethical reasoning to arrive at principled decisions for work with groups and community.

Subject Content

- Group dynamics and processes
- Social work values in group work and community practice
- Facilitating effective group work processes
- Ethics in group work
- The context of professional social work with groups
- Theories informing community work
- Ideologies, values and visions underlying community work
- Models of community work practice - community development, social planning, community and social action
- Skills required in community work and community development practice.
- Application of group and community work to diverse fields of practice including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, cross cultural work, mental health and child wellbeing

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group	Mandatory Task
Short Answer	1,000 words	20	N	Individual	N
Essay	1,000 words	40	N	Individual	N
Case Study	1,000 words	40	N	Individual	Y

Teaching Periods

Autumn (2025)

Parramatta - Victoria Rd

On-site

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