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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Law And Legal Systems

Reference	SS2041	Version	5
Created	July 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 8
Approved	September 2004	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To provide the student with the ability to understand the law relating to social work practice in order to locate and apply specific areas of law to the provision and delivery of welfare services

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate introductory knowledge of the civil law systems.
- 2 Demonstrate introductory knowledge and understanding of criminal law.
- 3 Demonstrate introductory knowledge of laws which provide the legal basis for social work intervention.

Indicative Module Content

Civil and criminal court systems. Children's and family legal systems. Basic rules of evidence. Confidentiality and Access to Records. Anti-discriminatory law. Basic law relating to social work practice. This module is a generic introduction to social work law. There is a specific focus on key child care and family legislation covering, parental rights and responsibilities, age of legal capacity, the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 which meets the knowledge requirement of Key Capabilities in Child Care and Child Protection (Scottish Executive, 2006). In addition the coverage of human rights and anti- discriminatory legislation, marriage and civil partnerships vulnerable witnesses, confidentiality and data protection.

Module Delivery

Introductory lectures, independent study using prepared interactive materials reinforced by tutorial contact.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	N/A	15
Non-Contact Hours	N/A	135
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A	150
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type: Examination Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3
 Description: structured e assessment

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

This module has one component with a 100% weighting. All learning outcomes are assessed by a structured e assessment

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	A
B	B
C	C
D	D
E	E
F	F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None, in addition to SCQF8 entry requirements.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 1 Robert Gordon University 2014. Law and Legal Studies Workbook. Aberdeen: RGU
- 2 Guthrie T., 2012. Social Work Law in Scotland. Haywards Heath: Bloomsbury Professional Ltd
- 3 Davies, R., and Gordon, J., 2010. Social Work and the Law in Scotland. Milton Keynes: OU Press