MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Social Policy for Social Work Practice

Reference	SS2066	Version	1
Created	May 2021	SCQF Level	SCQF 8
Approved	May 2021	SCQF Points	15
Amended	July 2020	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To provide the student with the ability to understand contemporary society within a social policy context and its relationship to social work practice.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

1	Demonstrate an understanding of a range of social policies and their impact on contemporary social issues and problems.
2	Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between social policy and social work practice.
3	Apply themes from social policy to social work practice.

Indicative Module Content

Historical antecedents of social policy. Relationship between social policy and social work practice. Key concepts in policy formulation and analysis. Models of welfare provision. Philosophical and ideological underpinning of social policy. Social policy pertaining to a range of social phenomena. Reflects the knowledge, skills and professional confidence and competence requirements around engagement with public protection.

Module Delivery

The module is based on directed and private study supplemented by lectures and online resources. Introductory materials are linked to course material and directed and private study is supported by tutorials

Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	N/A	12
Non-Contact Hours	N/A	138
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A	150
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

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

Component 1

| Type: | Coursework | Weighting: | 100% | Outcomes Assessed: | 1, 2, 3 |
| Description: | Essay |

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

This module has one component with a 100% weighting. All learning outcomes are assessed by an essay.

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	Hothersall, S. and Bolger, J., Eds. 2010. Social Policy for Social Work, Social Care and the Caring Professions: Scottish Perspectives, Farnham: Ashgate.
2	Cunningham, J. and Cunningham, S.,2012. Social Policy and Social Work: An Introduction. Exeter: Learning Matters
3	Kennedy, P.,2013. Key Themes in Social Policy. Routledge: Abingdon.