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## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Social Work Practice And Research Methods

Reference	SS3052	Version	3
Created	July 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	September 2011	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To enable students to apply research techniques to project management and to analyse the relationship between research and social work practice.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Produce a literature review relevant to the research project topic.
- 2 Apply a knowledge of research methods to the design, analysis and writing of a research project.
- 3 Analyse the relationship between research and social work practice.

### Indicative Module Content

Review of research methods. Application of research to social work practice. Evaluating practice. Applying statistics and data analysis ? quantitative and qualitative. Advanced literature searching. Planning research. The content also reflects the knowledge requirements of the Key Capabilities in Child Care and Protection (Scottish Executive, 2006)

### Module Delivery

The module is based on core lectures and supporting seminar and discussion work. It also requires students to undertake critical reading of relevant journals.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	48	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	102	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	N/A
<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: Practical Exam 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:
<b>A</b>	A
<b>B</b>	B
<b>C</b>	C
<b>D</b>	D
<b>E</b>	E
<b>F</b>	F
<b>NS</b>	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module	Satisfactory completion of all Stage 2 modules.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

**INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

- 1 Alston, M., & Bowles, W., 2003. *Research for Social Workers: An Introduction to Methods*. (2nd ed.). London. Routledge.
- 2 Bryman, A., 2012/2008. *Social Research Methods (4th/3rd Ed)*. Oxford University Press. Oxford.
- 3 Creswell, J.W., 2009. *Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods Approaches (3rd Ed)*. London: Sage. (Earlier editions will suffice).
- 4 Robson, C., 2011. *Real World Research (3rd ed)*. Oxford. Blackwell.