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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Social Work Practice And Research Methods

Reference	SS3052	Version	5
Created	April 2020	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	September 2011	SCQF Points	15
Amended	July 2020	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. Reflects the knowledge, skills and professional confidence and competence requirements around engagement with public protection.

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: Coursework Weighting: 50% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 3
 Description: Group poster presentation

Component 2

Type: Coursework Weighting: 50% Outcomes Assessed: 2
 Description: Essay

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

This module has two components with a 50% weighting each. Learning outcomes are assessed by a poster presentation, and a research proposal (essay).

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	AA, AB
B	BB, BC, AC, AD
C	CC, CD, BD
D	DD
E	AE, BE, CE, DE, EE
F	AF, BF, CF, DF, EF, FF
NS	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

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- 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.