MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Sociology and Social Policy for Social Work

Reference	SS4084	Version	1
Created	February 2023	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	March 2023	SCQF Points	15
Amended	November 2020	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

Drawing from sociology and social policy, the module introduces and develops the conceptual frameworks and applied knowledge necessary for a critical understanding of the social, political and institutional contexts of contemporary social work practice.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

1	Critically appraise the social processes and structures that impact upon the lived experience and opportunities of individuals and groups in relation to social work practice
2	Critically analyse social policy in relation to contemporary social issues and apply to social work practice.

Indicative Module Content

Parental responsibilities and rights. Children's Hearing System. Sociological perspectives. Identity, practice and everyday life. Class, race and gender inequality. Social institutions and power. Key concepts in social policy. Models of welfare provision. Ideological underpinning of social policy. Relationship between social policy and social work practice.

Module Delivery

The module is delivered in taught mode, by lectures, interactive seminars, case studies and directed study.

Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	64	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	86	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	N/A
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:	Practical Exam	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2
Description:	Presentation				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

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

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 course entry requirements.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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