

School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT SOCW 211

Introduction to Social Work

Quarter or Semester/Year

COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/socw.html

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records. You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

1. Instructor Information

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by the Education Council of Camosun College.)

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Critically assess:
 - The major perspectives utilized in social work analysis.
 - The relationship between social structure, public issues and private troubles.
 - The social, economic, political and cultural patterns which constitute barriers in the path to equality.
- 2. Demonstrate an ability to think critically and to communicate ideas effectively in writing.
- 3. Evaluate one's own interest, motivation, and capabilities for professional social work.

3. Required Materials

(a) Texts Steven Hick: **Social Work in Canada: An Introduction Third Edition**Toronto: Thompson Educational Publishing, 2006 ISBN 978-1-55077-173-2

(b) Other

Textbook Website Quizzes: http://www.thompsonbooks.com/social_work_in_canada/ Social Work Glossary: http://www.socialpolicy.ca/swc/bookglossary.htm

4. Course Content and Schedule

(This section can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE

Week 1: Sept. 6-11: The Canadian Welfare State Today

Hick: Chapters 1

Applying for BC Employment and Assistance: http://www.hsd.gov.bc.ca/bcea.htm

Week 2: Sept. 13-17: Income Security and Social Welfare

Hick: Chapter 2

Week 3: Sept. 20-24: History of Social Work

Hick: Chapter 3

Wednesday Sept 22 Debate Unit1: Prepare one question from each of the following three slideshows:

POVERTY AMID PLENTY - Introduction: http://vimeo.com/3593782

POVERTY AMID PLENTY - Welfare Basics: http://vimeo.com/3593806

POVERTY AMID PLENTY - Myth ONE: Welfare Is Easy To Get: http://vimeo.com/3593814

Week 4: Sept. 27-Oct 1: Theory and Approaches to Social Work Practice

Hick: Chapter 4

Week 5: Oct 4-8: Social Work As A Profession

Hick: Chapter 4

Hick: Social Workers Code of Ethics (pp 357-64)

Week 6: Oct 11-15: Social Work with Individuals, Families, Groups and Communities

Hick: Chapters 5 and 6

Monday October 11 Thanksgiving Day College Closed

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 6: MID-TERM #1

Week 7: Oct. 18-22: Social Work with Children and Youth

Hick: Chapter 8

Week 8: Oct. 25-29: Social Work with Women

Hick: Chapter 10

Wednesday Oct 13 Debate Unit 2: Prepare one question from each of the following three slideshows:

POVERTY AMID PLENTY - Myth TWO: Welfare Is An Easy Ride: http://vimeo.com/3593832
POVERTY AMID PLENTY - Myth THREE: Poverty Is Inevitable: http://vimeo.com/3593900
POVERTY AMID PLENTY - Myth FOUR: Solutions Are Too Expensive http://vimeo.com/3593949

Week 9: Nov 1-5: Social Work and Aboriginal Peoples

Hick: Chapter 11

Week 10: Nov 8-12: Social Work with Racialized Canadians and Immigrants

Hick: Chapter 12: Anti-Racist Social Work Today

Week 11: Nov. 15-19: Social Work with the Elderly

Hick: Chapter 13

Wednesday Nov. 3 Debate Unit 3: Prepare 3 questions from Marylyn Bennett "First Nations Fact Sheet: a General Profile on First Nations Child Welfare in Canada" http://www.fncfcs.com/docs/FirstNationsFS1.pdf

(Thursday November 11 Remembrance Day College Closed)

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12: MID-TERM #2

Week 12: Nov. 22-26: Social Work with the Elderly

Hick: Chapter 13

Week 13: Nov. 29-Dec 3: Social Work with Persons with Disabilities

Hick: Chapter 15

Wednesday Nov. 17 Debate Unit 4: Prepare 3 questions from Tim Richards, Marcy Cohen, Seth Klein "Working for a Living Wage 2010" http://www.policyalternatives.ca/livingwage2010

Week 14: Dec 6-10: International Social Work Practice

Hick: Chapter 16

MID-TERM # 3 FRIDAY DECEMBER 10

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(This section should be directly linked to the Intended Learning Outcomes.)

- (a) Assignments Debate Unit Questions and Attendance 20% Critical Analysis Interview with Social Worker 20%
- (b) Quizzes
- (c) Exams

Mid-term # 1Wednesday October620%Mid-term # 2Friday November1225%Mid-term # 3Friday December1015%

(d) Other (e.g., Attendance, Project, Group Work)

6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College for approval.)

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
cw	Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED