

## Subject Description Form

<b>Subject Code</b>	APSS 5066														
<b>Subject Title</b>	Theoretical Perspectives in Community Psychology														
<b>Credit Value</b>	3														
<b>Level</b>	5														
<b>Pre-requisite/ Co-requisite/ Exclusion</b>	Nil														
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<b>Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand the role of social, political, and economic factors in the development of community approaches to community wellbeing, with a focus on community intervention effectiveness</li> <li>2. Develop a working knowledge of different approaches to prevent psychological disorder and promote community mental health and examines how these can be practically implemented, especially in relation to community constraints</li> <li>3. Understand the application of ecological, developmental, and systems theories and community psychology values to the study of interpersonal adaptation and critical community problems such as behavioral health of adolescents; and intergenerational relationships in the community context</li> </ol>														
<b>Intended Learning Outcomes</b>	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Analyze how individual differences shape a person's experiences of and perspectives from one's immediate community, the society, and the world as a whole</li> <li>b. Analyze a contemporary issue in one's community from a multidisciplinary perspective.</li> <li>c. Apply concepts about human and social behavior to particular social issues or community interventions</li> </ol>														

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>d. Examine critically philosophical and other theoretical issues concerning the nature of reality, human experience, knowledge, value, culture, and individual-community relations</li> <li>e. Analyze and synthesize information and ideas from multiple sources to generate new insights with reference to tenets in community psychology and their applications in community and school settings</li> <li>f. Develop familiarity with various skills necessary for community-related work, including force field and policy analysis, program planning, and public communication</li> </ul>																								
<p><b>Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus</b></p>	<p>Selected community psychology concepts and methods will be examined in the relational context of individuals and their community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Community psychology and community science as an avenue towards system change</li> <li>b. Definition of community &amp; the sense of community</li> <li>c. Coping in the community context</li> <li>d. Community participation: Civic Engagement, empowerment, and factors towards community participation</li> <li>e. The role of understanding diversity towards a cohesive community &amp; inclusive multicultural community</li> <li>f. Prevention and promotion of health or social care initiatives in a community context</li> </ul>																								
<p><b>Teaching/Learning Methodology</b></p>	<p>Theoretical foundation for the subject will be delivered in lectures, while the students' experiential and practice knowledge will be acquired through the project-based learning. It is expected students actively participate in their learning process through participating in the class discussion and the project-based learning. Teaching and learning activities of the subject are further empowered by the various blended learning initiatives incorporated in this subject as well as the students' teamwork in project-based learning. Further information will be provided through learning management system (LMS). Students will be advised to read the suggested readings as well as to search relevant information from the library and the internet in preparing their assignments and in their private study. The subject teacher will be available for consultation (by appointment) on students' problems in the study if such request arises. Feedback to students' progress in the subject will be provided from the results of the continuous assessment.</p>																								
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	<p>The followings apply to the overall grade:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The grade is calculated according to the percentage assigned;</li> <li>• The completion and submission of all component assignments are required for passing the subject; and</li> <li>• Students must pass all components so as to pass the subject.</li> </ul> <p>Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:</p> <p><b>Class Participation (40%)</b></p> <p>Learning artefact engagement via Learn@PolyU and in-class lecture participation (20%): Participation in learning activities including preparation by reading class materials online and in-class engagement through responses via Students' Response System (SRS) will reflect students ongoing progress and engagement in class learning activities.</p> <p>Engagement in Flipped Classroom Sessions (20%): To evaluate the effort in flipped classroom sessions, students' preparation on learning materials before class via Learn@PolyU and their subsequent engagement in problem solving and experiential learning activities in physical class sessions will be assessed towards flipped classroom sessions participation.</p> <p><b>Quiz (20%)</b></p> <p>Quizzes will be part of the coursework, aims at consolidating students' comprehension of the essential and content knowledge blocks in the respective units. The questions are based on the weekly required reading and the lecture.</p> <p><b>Essay (40%)</b></p> <p>Assessment of Individual's application and reflection of subject matter mastery – Essays will assess learning in terms of how students blend theories learnt in subject coverage of subject matter and practice in their community psychology interventions. The SOLO taxonomy on capturing students' learning outcome, which categorized students' capacity from simply retaining knowledge to application of concepts in extended abstract form, will form the basis for grading criteria.</p>							
<b>Student Study Effort Expected</b>	Class contact:							
	▪ Lecture		25 Hrs.					

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tutorial</li> </ul>	11 Hrs
	Other student study effort:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reading</li> </ul>	48 Hrs.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Project-Based Learning Preparation</li> </ul>	36 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	120 Hrs.
<b>Reading List and References</b>	<p><b><u>Text Book</u></b></p> <p>Orford, J.. (2008). <i>Community Psychology: Challenges, Controversies and Emerging Consensus</i>. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. ISBN: 9780470773154.  <a href="https://doi.org/10.1002/9780470773154">DOI:10.1002/9780470773154</a></p> <p>This textbook is available online in full text from the PolyU library:  <a href="https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/book/10.1002/9780470773154">https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/book/10.1002/9780470773154</a></p> <p>Jason, L. A., Glantsman, O., O'Brien, J. F., &amp; Ramian, K. N. (2019). <i>Introduction to Community Psychology: Becoming an Agent of Change</i>. (L. A. Jason, O. Glantsman, J. F. O'Brien, &amp; K. N. Ramian, Eds.). Chicago, IL: Depaul University. Retrieved from  <a href="https://press.rebus.community/introductiontocommunitypsychology/">https://press.rebus.community/introductiontocommunitypsychology/</a></p> <p><b><u>Comprehensive List of Related Readings</u></b></p> <p>Best, A., Stokols, D., Green, L. W., Leischow, S., Holmes, B., &amp; Buchholz, K. (2003). An Integrative Framework for Community Partnering to Translate Theory Into Effective Health Promotion Strategy. <i>American Journal of Health Promotion, 18</i>(2), 168-176.</p> <p>Butterfoss, F. D. (2007). <i>Coalitions and partnerships in community health</i>. San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.</p> <p>Chan, C.C. (2010). Community Psychology in Chinese Societies. In Michael H. Bond (Ed.). <i>The Oxford Handbook of Chinese Psychology</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. pp.441-456.</p> <p>Chan, C. C., &amp; Chan, K. (2006). Programs Effectiveness, Process Outcomes, and Sustainability of Health Promotion Interventions in Hong Kong: Applying the RE-AIM Framework. <i>Journal of Psychology in Chinese Societies, 7</i>(1), 5-28.</p> <p>Chan, C. C., Chow, C. B., &amp; Chan, K. (2004). SARS and social cohesion in Hong Kong: A research agenda. <i>Asian Pacific Journal of Social Work, 14</i>(1), 73-80.</p> <p>Chan, C. C., &amp; Ho, W. C. (2006). Intensive Community Mentoring Scheme in Hong Kong Nurturing Police-Youth Intergenerational Relationships.</p>	

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