

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	APSS 5785														
Subject Title	MSW Integrative Seminar in Social Work Studies														
Credit Value	2														
Level	5														
Pre-requisite	APSS5780 Advanced Social Work Theory and Practice I APSS5781 Advanced Social Work Theory and Practice II APSS5783 MSW Fieldwork I APSS5790 Social Work Practice Workshop APSS5792 Critical Introduction to Social Work * <i>* for students admitted in the MSW programme in 2017/18 and thereafter</i>														
Co-requisite	APSS5784 MSW Fieldwork II														
Assessment Methods	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 40%;">100% Continuous Assessment</th> <th style="width: 20%;">Individual Assessment</th> <th style="width: 40%;">Group Assessment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1. Participation</td> <td style="text-align: center;">20%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. Presentation</td> <td style="text-align: center;">30%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. Term Paper</td> <td style="text-align: center;">50%</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The grade is calculated according to the percentage assigned. The completion and submission of all component assignments are required for passing the subject. Student must pass all the components, that is, achieve a minimum grade of D in each component of assessment, if he/she is to pass the subject.</p>			100% Continuous Assessment	Individual Assessment	Group Assessment	1. Participation	20%		2. Presentation	30%		3. Term Paper	50%	
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Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. examine the concept 'integration' in social work; 2. study examples of integrating social work practice with educational study, nursing study, organizational study, philosophy and psychology. 3. reflect on the implications of knowledge, professional, and practice integration in social work practice. 														
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. examine the concepts of 'knowledge integration', 'professional integration' and 'practice integration'; 														

	<p>b. appraise the interactional forces in the personal-profession interface and its possible effects;</p> <p>c. modify, expand and revise essential concepts in social work practice by integrating cross-discipline experience and knowledge;</p> <p>d. progress towards Bi-Professional Identity Integration.</p>																																		
<p>Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concepts of integration in social work – knowledge integration, professional integration and practice integration. 2. Caring in social work practice – an integrative stance 3. Dialectics & polarities – integrating opposite forces 4. Personal project in knowledge, professional and practice integration. 																																		
<p>Teaching/Learning Methodology</p>	<p>Lectures, discussions and reflective exercises will be used to promote conceptual understanding and self-understanding. Seminars will be organized for students to present their attempt and findings in an individual personal project of integration. A piece of written assignment on this project will be submitted taking into consideration of the feedbacks from fellow students and subject/seminars teachers in the presentation.</p>																																		
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	<p>and ideas; hence dialogue, discussion and debate in oral form with visual aids are appropriate;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • upon hearing feedbacks from teacher and classmates, each student refines his or her work and presents it in the form of an academic paper; hence written work is required; • the seminar presentation and term paper are two integral parts of the same project, hence all four expected outcomes are included in the assessment of both; however, the expected outcomes should emerge progressively from the former to the latter. 	
Student Study Effort Expected	Class contact:	
	▪ Lecture	9 Hrs.
	▪ Seminar	18 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	▪ Reading course materials	26 Hrs.
	▪ Consultation with subject teacher	2 Hrs.
	▪ Preparation and writing up	26 Hrs.
	Total student study effort	81 Hrs.
Reading List and References	<p><u>Reading List</u></p> <p>Benet-Martínez, V. & Haritatos, J. (2005). Bicultural Identity Integration (BII): Components and Psychosocial Antecedents, <i>Journal of Personality</i>. 73:4, 1015-1049.</p> <p>Benner, Patricia and Gordon, Suzanne, (1996) ‘Caring Practice’, in <i>Caregiving: Readings in Knowledge, Practice, Ethics, and Politics</i>, eds. Suzanne Gordon, Patricia Benner & Nel Noddings, Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 40-55.</p> <p>Biestek, Felix P., (1961) <i>The Casework Relationship</i> (London: Unwin University Press).</p> <p>Buchbinder, E. (2007) ‘Being a social worker as an existential commitment: from vulnerability to meaningful purpose’, <i>The Humanistic Psychologist</i>, vol. 35, no. 2, 161-174.</p> <p>Cheng, C., & Lee, F. (2013). The Malleability of Bicultural Identity Integration (BII). <i>Journal of Cross-cultural Psychology</i>, 44(8), 1235-1240.</p> <p>Healy, K. (2014) <i>Social Work Theories in Context: Creating Frameworks for Practice</i>. 2nd ed. Houndmills, Basingstoke; NY: Palgrave Macmillan.</p>	

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