OFFICIAL COURSE OUTLINE INFORMATION

Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use.

Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department and the material will vary - see course syllabus available from instructor

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<td>Social Policy Analysis</td>
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**CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:**

This course examines the dynamics of social welfare policy and social work practice with diverse populations. Students analyze social issues, policies and policy development processes in the postmodern capitalist state and study how these are affected by political and bureaucratic decisions, the media, citizens, communities and a variety of interest groups. The role of the social worker in developing policy that promotes social justice is also examined.

**PREREQUISITES:** Admission into the BSW program and SOWK 330 and SOWK 392, or permission of the instructor

**COREQUISITES:**

**SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S):**

(a) Replaces: SOWK 410 (Course #)

(b) Cannot take: (Course #) for further credit.

**SERVICE COURSE TO:**

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**TOTAL HOURS PER TERM:** 45

**STRUCTURE OF HOURS:**

- Lectures: 35 Hrs
- Seminar: Hrs
- Laboratory: Hrs
- Field Experience: Hrs
- Student Directed Learning: 10 Hrs
- Other (Specify): Hrs

**TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION**

**LENGTH OF COURSE:**

**HOURS PER DAY:**

**MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT:** 30

**EXPECTED FREQUENCY OF COURSE OFFERINGS:** One section per year

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**AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:**

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<td>Gloria Wolfson</td>
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LEARNING OBJECTIVES / GOALS / OUTCOMES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:
Upon successful completion of this course, students will have
1. an understanding of the dynamics of social welfare policy and social work practice in Canada
2. knowledge of a range of social policy issues, including those affecting low income Canadians, women and children, Aboriginal people, Francophones, and gays and lesbians
3. insight into the social policy development process and the way in which it is influenced by politics, bureaucracy, the media, citizens, diverse communities and a variety of other factors
4. an ability to critically analyze social policies, issues and administrative processes
5. an understanding of the role of the social worker in developing policy that promotes social justice

METHODS:

PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):
Credit can be awarded for this course through PLAR (Please check:) ☒ Yes ☐ No

METHODS OF OBTAINING PLAR:
This course is open to PLAR through portfolio and/or examination.

TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:
[Textbook selection varies by instructor. An example of texts for this course might be:]

SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:

STUDENT EVALUATION:
[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]
Assignment Value:

Mid-Term Exam 25%
Essay - Media, Ideology & Social Policy: 40%
Final Exam 35%
TOTAL 100%

COURSE CONTENT:
[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]
Week       Topic
1          Course Overview
           Video: The Inheritance (25M), 1993
2          I) Social Workers & Social Policy
           II) Ideology, Media & Social Policy
3          Ideology, Media & Social Policy
           Video: Manufacturing Consent, Part I (94M), 1992
4. Principles of Social Welfare
5. Social Program Spending
6. I) Social Policy Analysis
   II) Social Policy Issue: Poverty
   Mid-Term Exam Review
7. Mid-term Exam
8. Social Policy Issue: Child Welfare
   Video: Human Crisis: BC's Social Service Challenge (30M), 1996
9. Women & Social Policy, Video:
   Who's Counting: Marilyn Waring on Sex Lies & Global Economics (94M), 1995
10. Social Policy Issue: First Nations
    Video: Treaty-Making in BC (34M), 1996
    Media, Ideology & Social Policy
    EssayDue
11. Social Policy & Diversity
    Video: Off the straight & narrow (63M), 2000
12. Globalization and Social Policy
    Francophones and social policy
    Final Exam Review
13. Social Policy: Future Directions
    The Big One (90M), 1998