

MODULE SPECIFICATION FORM

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Module Title:	Practising Social work in the Welsh Context			Level:	6	Credit Value: 10			
Module code: SOC601		Semester(s) in which to be offered:			With effect from: April 09				
Existing/New: New Title of module being N/A replaced (if any):									
Originating Subject: Social Work			Module Leader Karen Roscoe						
Module duration 10 (contact hours/ 6 directed/directed private study: 22 60		0 nours teacher facilitated hrs online activities hrs directed practice perience hours vate/independent study		Status: core/option/el ective (identify programme where appropriate):		Core: Graduate Certificate in Post Qualifying Social Work Core: Glyndŵr University Certificate in Continuing Education (Social Work in the Welsh Context).			
Percentage taught by Subjects other than originating Subject (please name other None Subjects):									

Programme(s) in which to be offered:	Pre-requisites per programme (between levels):	Co-requisites per programme (within a level):
Post Qualifying Certificate in Social Work	Working in a Welsh organisation as a registered social worker	
Glyndŵr University Certificate in Continuing Education (Social Work in the Welsh Context).		

Module Aims:

- 1. To enable the registered social worker to develop a systematic understanding of issues raised by working within a Welsh context.
- To facilitate the registered social worker to consolidate social work values and practice within their work context with due regard of the expectations of the Code of Practice (COP), Post Registration Teaching and Leaning (PRTL) and continuing professional development (CPD)

Expected Learning Outcomes

At the end of this module, students should be able to: Knowledge and Understanding:

- 1. Demonstrate a systematic understanding of working in Wales at a local and national level (A1,A2, B3, C2,D2)
- 2. Interpret and systematically apply policies, procedures and legislation to the local practice

- context, reflecting upon implications for the development of own social work practice (A1, A2,B2,B3, C2,D2)
- 3. Construct a personal development plan in response to issues raised from working as a registered social worker within the welsh context (B2, B3,C2, C3, D1, D3)

Transferable/Key Skills and other attributes:

Exercise initiative and personal responsibility

Recognise and manage own learning

Demonstrate effective written and verbal communication skills

Demonstrate competency in word processing and in the presentation of data

Demonstrate competence in the use of library databases and the internet in search for information

Assessment: please indicate the type(s) of assessment (e.g. examination, oral, coursework, and project) and the weighting of each (%). **Details of indicative assessment tasks must be included**.

Written self appraisal and Personal Development Plan (100%)

A written self appraisal of their own developing role within the area in which they work. The appraisal will demonstrate how the student has responded to and learnt from an initial self assessment carried out at the beginning of the module. The appraisal should recognise issues raised by working in the welsh context and learning gained as a result of experience, concluding with an outline Personal Development Plan (PDP) for post qualifying training. The PDP must be agreed and signed by the student's line manager.

Any work which breaches the confidentiality of others will be referred.

Assessment	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting	Duration (if exam)	Word count or equivalent if appropriate
One	1,2, 3	Written appraisal and outline Personal Development Plan signed by line manager.	100%	N/A	2500

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

The module uses a blended approach to learning and teaching, including 6 hours face to face contact at Glyndwr University, supported by 12 hours online learning via Blackboard and 22 hours focused practice experience including mentoring and supervision in the workplace. Contact hours will include lead lectures, group work and reflective discussion. An experiential, work based approach will be utilised in practice in which students will be allocated a assessor to provide induction, guidance, ensure that there are opportunities for observing others. Students will also be expected to meet with and gain feedback from their line manager at the beginning and end of the module in order to have their outline Personal Development Plan agreed.

Syllabus outline:

Welsh language and culture;

Welsh Language Act

Equality and Diversity in Wales:

Culturally and linguistically sensitive practice;

Roles and responsibilities in a Welsh context;

Inter agency working in Wales

An introduction to Care Council post registration training and learning requirements, continuing professional development and reflective practice

Self assessment and personal development planning

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(please submit in Harvard referencing format)

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