

Prifysgol Wreccsam Wrexham University

Module specification

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| Module Code | SWK616 |
| Module Title | Practice Learning Opportunity – 700hrs |
| Level | 6 |
| Credit value | 20 |
| Faculty | Social and Life Sciences |
| HECoS Code | 100503 |
| Cost Code | GASW |

Programmes in which module to be offered

| Programme title | Is the module core or option for this programme |
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| BA (Hons) Social Work: Qualified Status | Core |

Pre-requisites

None

Breakdown of module hours

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| Learning and teaching hours | 0 hrs |
| Placement tutor support | 0 hrs |
| Supervised learning e.g. practical classes, workshops | 0 hrs |
| Project supervision (level 6 projects and dissertation modules only) | 0 hrs |
| Total active learning and teaching hours | 0 hrs |
| Placement / work based learning | 700 hrs |
| Guided independent study | 0 hrs |
| Module duration (total hours) | 700 hrs |

| For office use only | |
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| Initial approval date | 16/08/23 |
| With effect from date | 01/09/23 |
| Date and details of revision | |

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| Version number | 1 |

Module aims

The module enables students to practise skills in context by providing 100 days of work-based learning experience. Students must attend pre-placement meeting to plan the parameters of the placement, including how their particular learning needs as identified at level 5, will be met, with their practice teacher and university personal tutor.

Module Learning Outcomes - at the end of this module, students will be able to:

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| 1 | Evidence the National Occupational Standards and Code of Professional Practice associated with level 6 social work education |
| 2 | Demonstrate an understanding of decision making processes exercised throughout the PLO utilising evidence from appropriate guidance and legislation |

Assessment

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

This section outlines the type of assessment task the student will be expected to complete as part of the module. More details will be made available in the relevant academic year module handbook.

Portfolio of evidence from Practice Learning Opportunity.

| Assessment number | Learning Outcomes to be met | Type of assessment | Weighting (%) |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1 | 1 | Portfolio | Pass/Fail |
| 2 | 2 | Oral Assessment | Pass/Fail |

Derogations

Two attempts at the assessment only.

Each assessment element must be passed, and the module is not eligible for compensation.

Learning and Teaching Strategies

Practice Placement under the supervision of a qualified social worker. University support systems are mediated by personal tutor support.

Indicative Syllabus Outline

700 hour PLO where hours are typically 9am – 5pm, working approximately 37 hours per week (according to agency patterns) to meet the regulatory requirements set by the Social Care Wales for placement opportunities.

Indicative Bibliography:

Please note the essential reads and other indicative reading are subject to annual review and update.

Essential Reads

Thompson, S., Thompson, N. (2018), *The Critically Reflective Practitioner*. 2nd ed. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.

Other indicative reading

Becket, C. (2020), *Supervision: A guide for the helping professions*. London: Sage Publications.

Fook, J. & Gardner, F. (eds) (2013), *Critical Reflection in Context: applications in health and social care*. London: Routledge.

Social Care Wales, (2017), *The Code of Professional Practice for Social Care* [PDF] Cardiff: Social Care Wales. Available from: <https://socialcare.wales/cms-assets/documents/Code-of-Professional-Practice-for-Social-Care-web-version.pdf>

Employability – the University Skills Framework

Each module and programme is designed to cover core Graduate attributes with the aim that each Graduate will leave the University having achieved key employability skills as part of their study. The following attributes will be covered within this module either through the content or as part of the assessment. The programme is designed to cover all attributes and each module may cover different areas.

Core Attributes

Engaged
Enterprising
Creative
Ethical

Key Attitudes

Commitment
Curiosity
Resilience
Confidence
Adaptability

Practical Skillsets

Digital Fluency
Organisation
Leadership and Team working
Critical Thinking
Emotional Intelligence
Communication