

Academic Year/course: 2024/25

26100 - Introduction to Social Work

Syllabus Information

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Subject: 26100 - Introduction to Social Work

Faculty / School: 108 - Facultad de Ciencias Sociales y del Trabajo

Degree: 274 - Degree in Social Work

ECTS: 6.0 **Year**: 1

Semester: First semester Subject type: Compulsory

Module:

1. General information

The subject, given its introductory nature, is located in the first four-month period. It is the first theoretical contact with Social Work and, therefore, it is important that students acquire the knowledge and skills to understand the disciplinary identity and place the profession in the field of social action.

In order to understand what Social Work is, it is necessary to delve into its history, its doctrinal body, as well as to know the theories that support it and the professional practices that make it concrete. It is also about making a first approach to the situations presented by the individuals, groups or communities that will be the object of your professional intervention.

Finally, this subject tries to transmit the importance of some rights and obligations, framed in the Code of Ethics Deontological Code.

There are no requirements to take it.

2. Learning results

Identify the main elements and protagonists of the history of Social Work, and its relationship with the history of the social work Social Action and the Social Sciences.

Explain the nature of Social Work as a profession and as a discipline.

To have an overview of the main groups of people attended to, types of needs and responses, as well as as resources and spaces in which Social Work is developed together with other professions in the social field.

Structuring the institutional framework of Social Work.

Know the Code of Ethics of the profession, its values, principles and ethical standards.

Know and apply the terminology specific to the field of social work.

Develop the capacity for exposition, synthesis and the ability to relate concepts,

Work as a team, constructively criticizing the opinions of others, sharing information and knowledge with their peers to find joint solutions.

3. Syllabus

Theme 1. What is Social Work?

The genesis of social work: from poverty to the social question.

Theme 3. Charity Organization Societies.

Theme 4. The Settlements.

History of Social Work in Aragon and Spain.

Areas and sectors.

Theme 7. Social Work today. Theme 8. Social Work Ethics.

4. Academic activities

Master classes: 30 hours

Theoretical sessions in which the contents of the subject will be explained

Problems and cases: 30 hours

Activities through different materials in small groups.

Personal study: 87 hours Assessment tests: 3 hours

5. Assessment system

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There are two modalities: (i). Continuous assessment; (ii). Final assessment.

Those who opt for **continuous assessment** will have to attend classes regularly and will take several tests throughout the course, either written or oral, of theoretical-practical type according to the program of the subject, together with a final exercise that will be specified in the classroom. This will serve to contrast the assimilation of concepts, capacity of relation and synthesis, as well as the clarity and argumentative coherence; showing that one knows how to write and that a global knowledge of the worked matter has been acquired. In the classroom, various exercises and tasks will be presented to contrast the ability to search for information, analysis and interpretation of the different readings in relation to the theoretical part.

In addition, based on the theory sessions and the proposed readings, both essays and text commentaries must be handed in, presented and discussed on the established dates. Assignments not handed in on time will not be considered.

The final grade will be based on the following percentages:

Mastery of the theoretical part 50%.

Dynamic Activities 50%.

Those who opt for the **Final Assessment** will have to take the corresponding tests on the date established in the official exams. The student must show that he/she has reached the competences and knowledge of the subject. The test to be taken will consist of an oral or written exercise of synthesis of the contents of the subject including the theoretical and practical aspects of the same.

The final grade will be based on the following percentages:

Mastery of the theoretical part 50%.

Practical activities 50%.

For the proper preparation of these tests, attendance to tutorials and supervision by the faculty responsible for teaching is recommended.