

# DEGREE CURRICULUM FUNDAMENTALS OF SOCIAL WORK

Coordination: MATA ROMEU, ANNA

Academic year 2023-24

## Subject's general information

Subject name	FUNDAMENTALS OF SOCIAL WORK						
Code	101707						
Semester	1st Q(SEMESTER) CONTINUED EVALUATION						
Typology	Degree		Course	Character		Modality	
	Bachelor's Degree in Social Worker		CC	MPULSORY	Attendance- based		
Course number of credits (ECTS)	6						
Type of activity, credits, and groups	Activity type	PRAULA		TEORIA			
	Number of credits	1.8		4.2			
	Number of groups	3		1			
Coordination	MATA ROMEU, ANNA						
Department	PSYCHOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK						
Important information on data processing	Consult this link for more information.						

Teaching staff	E-mail addresses	Credits taught by teacher	Office and hour of attention
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## Learning objectives

Is able to frame Social Work as a discipline and profession within the Social Sciences and understands basic knowledge about: the professional identity, the socio-historical context that will determine its action, the procedures and forms of intervention for its own professional exercise.

They understand the complexity of the social field and have a solid cognitive base, where they can incorporate new concepts and new strategies for action.

They understand the current meaning of social work, its nature, the foundations and the different forms of social action in a transversal way; as well as the cultural, economic, political, and religious influences of each of the historical stages of the discipline.

They understand the relationship between social work and the Social Sciences; and knows the involvement of both in the approach to social reality.

He is able to define, delimit and follow the fundamental concepts and terminology of social work.

It is able to delimit the role of social work in each of the specific areas and fields in which it is developed.

He has a critical and analytical attitude towards social problems and the answers that are given.

## Competences

CG1: Develop critical ability, analysis and synthesis.

CG7: Exercise autonomous learning and adaptation to new situations.

CE1: Know the nature, history and theoretical foundations of social work.

CE2: To know the referents of the human and social sciences that contribute the social work elements of understanding of the social reality.

CT5 Apply the gender perspective to the tasks of the professional field.

## Subject contents

**PROGRAM** 

BLOCK I: HISTORICAL EVOLUTION OF SOCIAL WORK

UNIT 1 Historical trajectory of social action. Social work precedents

- 1.1 From mutual aid and charity to Charity
- 1.2 Social reformers:
- 1.3 Between philanthropy and welfare
- 1.4 Factors that sustain and perpetuate gender inequalities and stereotypes in all societies, peoples and cultural

contexts.

- 2.1. Birth and evolution of the industrial revolution
- 2.2 The birth of Social Work in Great Britain

#### TOPIC 3 Process of professionalization and birth of the discipline

- 3.1 Development of Social Work in the United States
- 3.2 The BODY
- 3.3 Mary Richmond
- 3.4 Settlements Houses
- 3.5 Jane Addams
- 3.6 Chicago School

#### TOPIC 4 Origin and evolution of social work in Catalonia / Spain / Europe

- 4.1 Beginnings of social action in Catalonia / Spain in modern times
- 4.2 Development of Social Work in Catalonia
- 4.3 Evolution and stages of Social Work
- 4.4 Social Work in the XXI century
- 4.5 New opportunities and new perspectives for Social Work

#### BLOCK II THE IDENTITY OF SOCIAL WORK

#### TOPIC 5 Relationship of social work with other sciences

- 5.1 Disciplines that make up social work
- 5.2 Interdisciplinarity

#### TOPIC 6 Conceptualization of social work

- 6.1 Approach to the concept of social work
- 6.2 Definition of social work
- 6.3 Purpose of social work
- 6.4 The Object- Subject in Social Work

#### **TOPIC 7 Social worker action**

7.1 Role of the social worker: relationship of help and social control

- 7.2 Objectives of social work
- 7.2 Assigned duties and tasks
- 7.3 The methodology in social work
- 7.4 Relationship of the social worker with social resources

UNIT 8 Axiological foundation of social work

- 8.1 Philosophy and Ideology in Social Work
- 8.2 Values and principles of social work
- 8.3 Define causes-consequences, for society and for people, of a socialization differentiated by sex.
- 8.4 Professional attitude

## Methodology

The methodology used will be different depending on the point of the topic that will need to be deepened:

In the first block, the explanatory presentations by the teacher will be combined with reading of texts and research by the student. There will be individual activities on the texts read, group discussions, oral presentations and analysis of case studies.

In the second block, the student will be provided with the contents by the teacher, video views and will link the theory with practice through guest lecturers, attendance at academic conferences and other activities that link theory and practice.

In the last point, and after the explanatory presentation by the teacher of the different techniques, the student will analyze everyday social work situations in order to put into practice the knowledge acquired. In this block there will also be individual and group activities, ending with an oral presentation where the student will demonstrate the concepts acquired.

The explanatory presentations and the different dynamics that take place in the classroom will be modified in order to capture the student's attention and to encourage them to feel part of their own educational process. All the theoretical material used by the teacher, as well as other documents will be posted on the Udl's virtual campus.

Cell phone use is not allowed in class.

#### **Evaluation**

Activities	Percentatge
1-Individual Written Test on Block I	29%

2-Classroom activities	23%
3-Oral Presentation	23%
4- Presentation in small group on Block II	25%