Community Work: Policy and Practice

Thursday 14 & Friday 15 August, Thursday 6 & Friday 7 November 2008, 10am–4pm
Education Building, the University of Sydney, Camperdown

OVERVIEW
This course aims to develop the student’s ability to engage in current debates concerning community work. Active use of student experiences will be encouraged and facilitated throughout. In particular the course will focus on:

• current community work practice in government and non-government settings
• current government policy in relation to communities and community work
• theoretical approach to community work and community development
• application of community work theory and practice
• critical reflection and analytical skills, and
• academic research and writing skills.

At the completion of this course it is aimed that students will be able to:

• understand the historical context of contemporary community work practice and its relation to social work
• describe the policy context of contemporary community work practice
• critically reflect on the relationship between theory and practice in a range of settings, and
• contribute to debates concerning future directions in community work practice, including their own.

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ASSESSMENT & ACCREDITATION
To successfully complete this course, students need to attend all four sessions. Students may take this course as a stand-alone module; or they have the option of having it accredited as one Unit of Study towards a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Masters degree offered by the faculty. This second option entails undertaking two assessment tasks and carries an additional fee for marking and administration. If interested, please discuss this further with the Course Coordinator, Dr Margot Rawsthorne.

COST (GST inclusive)
Course only: $800  |  Course + assessment tasks (equiv. to Unit of Study SCWK6910): $1200

FURTHER INFORMATION
COURSE CONTENT:  Dr Margot Rawsthorne  Email: m.rawsthorne@edfac.usyd.edu.au  Phone: 9036 9313
ADMINISTRATION:  Ms Margaret Day  Email: m.day@edfac.usyd.edu.au  Phone: 9351 7031


SUGGESTED READING
There is no set text for this course although you are encouraged to read at least one of these books:

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CLOSING DATE for enrolments and refunds for withdrawal (less a $50 administration fee) is seven days prior course commencement.

ENROLMENT ENQUIRIES to Margaret Day: m.day@edfac.usyd.edu.au / ph: 9351 7031

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