

196-211 Social Work Practice with Groups

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	2 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	On campus
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 1-hour lecture and a 2-hour seminar per week Total Time Commitment: Students are expected to devote approximately 7 hours per week to this subject.30 contact hours20 hours class preparation and reading20 hours assessment related tasks. Total time commitment = 70 hours
Prerequisites:	Admission into the Bachelor of Social Work.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's courses. Students who feel their disability will impact on meeting this requirement are encouraged to discuss this matter with the Course Coordinator and the Disability Liaison Unit.
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Subject Overview:	In this subject students should become aware of the range of uses of group work in social work practice and deepen their understanding of the processes that operate in small groups. Students will be given the opportunity to apply and practise their understanding in group situations.
Objectives:	Students who complete this subject should be able to demonstrate their familiarity with a limited number of theoretical perspectives and relate those to the practice of social work in their supervised professional practicum.
Assessment:	Written work totalling 4000 words which will include a record of observations of a small group 35%, a brief paper 30%, and a session plan 35% (all due at end of semester).
Prescribed Texts:	A subject reader may be available.Inside Group Work: A Guide to Reflective Practice (F McDermott), Allen & Unwin 2002
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # be able to critically analyse texts and practices; # be able to understand social, cultural, organisational and ethical contexts of practice; # be able to link theory to practice; # be able to communicate in speech and writing in ways relevant to both academic and practice contexts;

	# be able to undertake independent research.
Links to further information:	http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/
Notes:	Formerly available as 196-412. Students who have completed 196-412 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.