



# UNIVERSITY OF NICOSIA ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ

University of Nicosia, Cyprus

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>ECTS Credits</b>
SOWK-120	Foundations of Social Work	6
<b>Department</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Prerequisites</b>
Social Sciences/Social Work Programme	Spring	SOWK-110
<b>Type of Course</b>	<b>Field</b>	<b>Language of Instruction</b>
Required	Social Work	
<b>Level of Course</b>	<b>Year of Study</b>	<b>Lecturer(s)</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	1 <sup>st</sup>	Dr. Stefanos Spaneas
<b>Mode of Delivery</b>	<b>Work Placement</b>	<b>Co-requisites</b>
Face-to-face	N/A	None
<b>Recommended Optional Programme Components: N/A</b>		

## Objectives of the Course:

- The main objectives of the course are to:
- Provide students with deep knowledge of the social work values and ethics
- Thorough discuss about the various intervene models of social work practice with different service users groups
- Discuss in detail about the skills they have to develop as generalist practitioners
- Identify the phases/processes of social work practice
- Reflect on professional social work practice.

## Learning Outcomes:

By the completion of the course students are expected to:

1. Critically discuss and apply the code of ethics (social work values and ethics)
2. Demonstrate communication skills
3. Communicate an argument
4. Think creatively and analytically
5. Evaluate and assess service users arguments
6. Synthesise information from a number of sources in order to gain a coherent understanding

## Course Contents:

1. Social Worker Skills
2. Professionalism
3. Ethics and Values in Social Work (Code of Ethics)
4. Ethical Decision Making
5. Talking and Listening

6. Preparation to work with a case

7. Beginning to work with a case
8. Assessing
9. Contracting
10. Working and Evaluating
11. Ending
12. Writing/filling in a record

**Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Lectures, Practical Exercises and Assignments.

**Assessment Methods:**

Homework, Quiz, Mid-Term Exam and Final Exam.

**Required Textbooks/Reading:**

Authors	Title	Publishe	Year	ISBN
Cournoyer, R. B.	The Social Work Skills workbook	5 <sup>th</sup> ed., Brooks Cole	2007	978-0534338756

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Authors	Title	Publishe	Year	ISBN
Hepworth, H. D., Rooney, H. R., Rooney G. D, Strom-Gottfried, K., Larsen, Jo Ann	Direct Social Work Practice: Theory and Skills	Belmont. Wadsworth	2005	978- 0534368388
Kandilaki, A	Counseling in Social Work: skills and techniques	Athens: Topos	2008	978-960-6760- 65-5

