

WELF 3013 SOCIAL WORK AND HEALTH

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 400513

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Description This subject integrates health as focus for social work as a profession and as a specific domain of practice. This advanced subject has three main areas of focus. The first area is developing knowledge and skills to critically analyse concepts related to health in global and local social work practice, including decolonising and Indigenous ways of knowing. The second is exploring health for specific populations and communities, the context of health service provision in Australia, and social work in health services. The third is professional skills for social work practice, including social work assessment and health promotion.

School Social Sciences

Discipline Social Work

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Pre-requisite(s) WELF 2017

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 1666 Bachelor of Social Work, 4598 Bachelor of Social Work or 4599 Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) and 1713 Bachelor of Criminal and Community Justice/Bachelor of Social Work

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Distinguish the relevant social work concepts of health in contemporary health issues.
2. Critically analyse health concepts for global and local social work practice, incorporating decolonisation and Indigenous ways of knowing.
3. Critically analyse health for specific populations and communities, health service provision, and the context of social work practice in health services.
4. Apply foundational social work assessment skills to a health context, including demonstration of skills identified by the AASW mental health competency standards.

Subject Content

Concepts of health for social work practice, including health as a social issue, social determinants of health, and health and social justice
Social work practice in health settings, health services, and with specific populations
Social work practice skills for health, including assessment and health promotion

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are

regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

| Type | Length | Percent | Threshold | Individual/ Group Task | Mandatory |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
| Multiple Choice | 10 quizzes with 5 questions each | 25 | N | Individual | Y |
| Presentatio | 1,500 words | 30 | N | Group | Y |
| Report | 1,500 words | 45 | N | Individual | Y |

Teaching Periods

Autumn (2025)

Liverpool

On-site

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Parramatta - Victoria Rd

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