

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Law and Safeguarding 1
2	Module Credits	40
3	Module Level	5
4	Module Code	SOW5xxx

5	Module Overview
<p>In line with the philosophy and aims of the Social Work programme, this module will provide you with the opportunity to engage with law and policy, and the knowledge needed to safeguard and protect vulnerable service users as specified by the professional requirements for social work.</p> <p>You will need to reflect on your legal roles and responsibilities as a social worker with a duty of care so that you can practice professionally and be prepared for employment. The module will examine the court process and structure and prepare you to present evidence in court and to write formal reports. You are required to analyse relevant law and policy with an emphasis on the process of joint working and the individual responsibilities of practitioners working in the areas of children and families, adult care, and mental health.</p> <p>You will explore the impact this has on service users and carers and how to access advocacy, legal advice and representation to ensure that your practice is compliant with equality and human rights legislation.</p> <p>The module is delivered using a range of learning and teaching methods. This includes lectures, interactive discussion and debate, small group exercises, tutorials, guided reading, group work and online learning.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
<p>Introduction to Module/Assessment</p> <p>Presentation Preparation</p> <p>Law and Policy in the Context of Safeguarding</p> <p>Inter-professional Practice in Safeguarding – Benefits and Barriers</p> <p>Introduction to Learning from Serious Case Reviews and Public Inquiry Reports</p> <p>Sourcing and Utilising Legal and Policy Resources</p> <p>Law, Policy and Safeguarding for Children and Families</p> <p>Child Exploitation</p> <p>Law, Policy and Safe-Guarding- Mental Capacity</p> <p>Law, Policy and Safe-Guarding- Mental Health</p> <p>Institutional Abuse and Neglect</p> <p>Law, Policy and Safeguarding for Vulnerable Adults</p>	

Safeguarding- An International Perspective

Hate and Hate Crime

Report and Risk Assessment

Introduction to Court Room Skills

Housing Legislation and Safeguarding

Education Legislation and Safeguarding

Module Summary and Evaluation

7 Module Learning Outcomes	
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:	
1	Identify and analyse the factors which impact upon inter-professional working within the context of safeguarding.
2	Identify, apply and analyse the relevant legislative and policy framework for safeguarding practice.
3	Examine and apply the theory and practice of risk assessment in social work practice, incorporating an anti-oppressive and anti-discriminatory perspective.
4	Demonstrate a rationale for safeguarding decision making based upon the completion of a risk assessment report.

8 Module Assessment			
Learning Outcome			
		Coursework	Exam
			In-Person
1, 2			X (Group Presentation)
3, 4	X (Assignment)		

9 Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities	Hours
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	52 Hours
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	52 Hours
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	296 Hours
Total Study Hours:	400 Hours