Course Outline (Higher Education)

School: School of Arts
Course Title: FIELD PLACEMENT
Course ID: CHSUG2102
Credit Points: 15.00
Prerequisite(s): (CHSUG1001 or CHSUG1002 or WELRO1001 or WELSI1003)
Co-requisite(s): (CHSUG2101)
Exclusion(s): (CHSUG2002 and WELRO2104)
ASCED: 090515

Description of the Course:
Field education provides an opportunity for the student to apply the “academic content” from other courses studied in a direct practice context. Students are assisted in learning the skills required for effective community and human services practice as field education provides experiences that allow the student to make the transition from “knowing what” to “knowing how”. Students will complete 20 days or 150 hours of supervised fieldwork practice in an approved human services agency.

Grade Scheme: S

Program Level:

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Learning Outcomes:
On successful completion of the course the students are expected to be able to:

Knowledge:
K1. Explore the context of welfare practice, including the role and function of the placement agency, and the staff within the agency.
K2. Integrate theory and appropriate research into practice in an agency context.
K3. Understand different styles and modes of professional practice, including the role(s) and responsibilities of the welfare professional, and the specific knowledge and skills required for this setting.

K4. Acquire a strong knowledge of field of practice.

K5. Utilise an ethical decision-making framework when dealing with ethical issues.

Skills:

S1. Demonstrate a high level of appropriate communication skills.

S2. Develop knowledge of assessment skills and identify issues to be addressed in working with individuals, groups, families or communities under supervision.

S3. Critically reflect on the developing professional identity.

S4. Keep appropriate records in accordance with agency policy and professional obligations.

S5. Identify and practise self-protective strategies when working in potentially dangerous or stress inducing situations.

Application of knowledge and skills:

A1. Complete the practicum with a level of skills, knowledge and competence consistent with a newly qualified worker.

A2. Ability to work collaboratively with other professionals, service providers and servicers/consumers.

Course Content:

Topics may include:

- Placement expectations and responsibilities
- Professional supervision
- Use of learning contracts

Values:

V1. Practise working within the professional Code of Practice

V2. Examine own values and how they impact upon practice

V3. Use critical self-awareness and reflection

V4. Understand the concept of “use of self” within agency practice

V5. Awareness of ethical dilemmas occurring on placement

V6. Respect clients, self, other staff and work in a supportive, professional way.

Graduate Attributes

The Federation University FedUni graduate attributes (GA) are entrenched in the Higher Education Graduate Attributes Policy (LT1228). FedUni graduates develop these graduate attributes through their engagement in explicit learning and teaching and assessment tasks that are embedded in all FedUni programs. Graduate attribute attainment typically follows an incremental development process mapped through program progression. **One or more graduate attributes must be evident in the specified learning outcomes and assessment for each FedUni course, and all attributes must be directly assessed in each program**

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<td>Our graduates are curious, reflective and critical. Able to analyse the world in a way that generates valued insights, they are change makers seeking and creating new solutions.</td>
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<td><strong>GA 2 Innovators</strong></td>
<td>Our graduates have ideas and are able to realise their dreams. They think and act creatively to achieve and inspire positive change.</td>
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<td><strong>GA 3 Citizens</strong></td>
<td>Our graduates engage in socially and culturally appropriate ways to advance individual, community and global well-being. They are socially and environmentally aware, acting ethically, equitably and compassionately.</td>
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<td><strong>GA 4 Communicators</strong></td>
<td>Our graduates create, exchange, impart and convey information, ideas, and concepts effectively. They are respectful, inclusive and empathetic towards their audience, and express thoughts, feelings and information in ways that help others to understand.</td>
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<td><strong>GA 5 Leaders</strong></td>
<td>Our graduates display and promote positive behaviours, and aspire to make a difference. They act with integrity, are receptive to alternatives and foster sustainable and resilient practices.</td>
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### Learning Task and Assessment:

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<td>K1, K2, K3, K5, S2, S3, A1, A2</td>
<td>Achieve the standards of practice expected at final year level in relation to the individual learning contract</td>
<td>Learning Contract: Field Education Learning Plan and Assessment Report and Supervisor Report</td>
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### Adopted Reference Style:

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