

COURSE GUIDE

2019/20

Faculty 160 - Faculty of Labour Relations and Social Work. Álava Department

Cycle Not Applicable

Degree GTRABA10 - Bachelor's Degree in Social Work

Year Second year

COURSE

25944 - Social Psychology for Social Work

Credits, ECTS: 6

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Social Psychology for Social Work is part of the module named "Processes and issues. around social work" (Module C – 36 ECTS) along with other subjects, such as: Philosophy and Social Work (first course), Anthropology and Social Work (first course), Psychology for Social Work (first course), Sociology and Social Work (first course).

It is an obligatory subject taught in the second year during the second term in Basque, Spanish and English languages. It is a 6-credit subject, including a total of 150 hours distributed in 60 hours of classroom activities and 90 hours of out-of-class activities. Teaching of this subject belongs to the Department of Social Psychology and Methodology of the Behavioural Sciences.

The course includes the following contents around social psychology: the reciprocal influence between individuals and groups. Common sense and scientific knowledge. Application of the scientific method to the study of psychosocial problems. Description of research and evaluation designs. Information processing and making social judgements (heuristic biases). Beliefs and attitude change: Attitudes and Behaviour. Individuals within groups: psychosocial processes affecting group functioning, performance and decision-making. Relationships among groups. Prejudice, stereotypes and discrimination. Personal defence strategies to stigma and prejudice.

COMPETENCIES/LEARNING RESULTS FOR THE SUBJECT

1. Knowing the psychosocial perspective of the main processes and elements shaping human behaviour in the social area and the relationship between the person and the environment (MO3CM01)
2. To apply the knowledge of social psychology and the scientific method to the study of psychosocial problems, differentiating common sense from scientific knowledge (MO3CM06)
3. Knowing how to analyze the psychosocial processes involved in interpersonal information processing, impression formation, and perception, in order to be able to detect and evaluate interpersonal conflicts.
4. Identifying attitudes, stereotypes and social prejudices, as well as, formation and change mechanisms, and their influence on personal and social identity in order to be able to apply them in the prevention and diagnosis of social needs of groups at risk of discrimination and social exclusion (MO3CM05)
5. To develop the capacity for self-knowledge, being able to identify ones own values, attitudes and cognitive schemes, and empathy in order to be able to analyze the future professional practice in an objective and/or respectful manner (MO3CM07).

COURSE CONTENTS, THEORETICAL & APPLIED

Topic 1. Social psychology: Relationship individual-group-environment. Motivation and information processing basic principles. Contributions of social psychology to social work.

Topic 2. Methodology in social psychology: Common sense and scientific knowledge. Basic research design and evaluation in social psychology.

Topic 3. Social psychology and culture: Culture and cultural dimensions. Transcultural psychology. The concept of Self. Communication styles.

Topic 4. Social cognition: Impression formation. Attributional processes. Biases, heuristics and causal attribution.

Topic 5 Attitudes: Structure, evaluation, functions and attitudes-behaviours relationship. Elements in persuasive communication. Combinatorial attitude change models.

Topic 6. Group processes and inter-group relations: Social facilitation. Social loafing. Deindividuation. Group polarization. Group thinking .Social identity, personal identity and self-esteem. Prejudice, social discrimination and new forms of prejudice and racism. Coping strategies to manage social stigma.

Topic 7. Stereotypes: Definitions and functions. Processes and mechanisms: self-fulfilling prophecy, illusory correlations, etc. Sexism and prejudices against ethnic minorities: change strategies.

Topic 8. Applied social psychology: Health and psychosocial factors. Dimensions for subjective well-being. Happiness and Mental health. Psychosocial factors: personality factors, Stress and

Web sites of interest

OBSERVATIONS

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