

Hagerstown Community College
MASTER COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE: HST 208 SOCIAL WORK WITH GROUPS **CREDITS:** 3

INSTRUCTOR: F. Cade

SEMESTER/YEAR: Spring 2017

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course offers the pre-professional social work and human service student a foundation for understanding groups, families and communities within the ecological/systems framework. Emphasis is placed on learning to be a change agent within these systems. The importance of advocacy skills is presented. Students acquire a knowledge of community resources through participating in a community analysis.

TEXTBOOK: While there is not a textbook, there may be readings provided to you that you will be responsible for preparing for class discussions. Additionally, websites may also be used to help further your knowledge of our work with individuals in specific populations of need.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

1. Apply an introductory understanding of group dynamics by completing a community analysis.
2. Utilize the family systems theory in understanding and working with families.

GENERAL EDUCATION OUTCOMES: (If applicable)

Total Hours of Coursework: To earn one academic credit at HCC, students are required to complete a minimum of 37.5 clock hours (45 fifty-minute “academic” hours) of coursework per semester. Those hours of coursework may be completed through a combination of hours within the classroom and hours outside the classroom. Certain courses may require more than the 37.5 minimum hours of coursework per credit. For most classes, students should expect to do at least 2 hours of coursework outside of class for each hour of in-class coursework.

The following table describes the hours of classwork required for this class:

For face-to-face class:

Assignment/Assessment	Clock Hours	Explanation
In-class instruction	37.5	Time spent in class
Assigned readings & sample problems	57	Reading, note-taking, practicing sample problems, etc.
Quizzes	15	Study time plus time to complete quizzes
Exams	17	Study time plus time to complete exams
Field projects	8	Research, writing, presentation, etc.
Total hours	134.5	

Services for Students with Disabilities: Students may receive reasonable accommodations if they have a diagnosed disability and present appropriate documentation. Students seeking accommodations are required to contact the Disability Support Services (DSS) office as early as possible. Students may contact a DSS staff member for an appointment at dss@hagerstowncc.edu or at 240-500-2530.