HUMANITIES GEESTESWETENSKAPPE UFS·UV

Academic host programme Human and Societal Dynamics

Department Psychology, Criminology and Sociology

Study year of students Third year

Credits: 8

Module offered during First and second semester

Lecturers

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CSL112 & CSL122 Community Service Learning: Human and Societal Dynamics

Brief description

This capstone module in the Human and Societal dynamics programme provides final-year students with the opportunity to integrate their knowledge from the core disciplines of Psychology, Sociology and Criminology, while empowering individuals in their relational and developmental contexts.

Community partners

Learners from Kruitberg, Roseview and Wilgehof Primary Schools

Service sector partners

Teachers from Kruitberg, Roseview and Wilgehof Primary Schools

Service learning component

After conducting situational analyses with the various role-players, students develop and present workshops to the community. They have interactive discussions in the community with the focus on aspects such as individual development, relationships and societal/ environmental awareness.

Outcomes for students

In this module students develop, implement and evaluate workshops that address contemporary psychological issues identified within a local community in the South African context. They further learn to be culturally and aesthetically sensitive across a range of social contexts. Students are expected to submit a reflection report after every planning meeting and every visit to the community. This enables them to reflect on their experiences and to document the process. A personal diary – kept by all students – provides them with the opportunity to reflect on their personal experiences as the module progresses.

Impact on community

As a result of the project learners feel better equipped to face the challenges they encounter and teachers experience a marked improvement in learners' adjustment and behaviour.

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