

## In Progress

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# SOWK13014 Contemporary Social Policy

## Term 2 - 2024

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All details in this unit profile for SOWK13014 have been officially approved by CQUniversity and represent a learning partnership between the University and you (our student). The information will not be changed unless absolutely necessary and any change will be clearly indicated by an approved correction included in the profile.

## General Information

### Overview

Social policy is one of seven methods of change used in social work practice. This unit explores the historical, political and normative dimensions of social policy and policy-making in Australia and the international context. You will explore concepts such as the welfare state and neo-liberalism and you will examine and critically analyse social policy that is relevant to human service contexts.

### Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 3*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 10

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

### Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

120 credit points of study must include SOWK13009 and SOWK13010

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

### Offerings For Term 2 - 2024

- Online

### Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

### Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

## Class and Assessment Overview

### Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

### Class Timetable

#### [Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

#### [Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

### Assessment Overview

#### Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

## CQUniversity Policies

**All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).**

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

## Previous Student Feedback

### Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

#### Feedback from Student and staff feedback

##### Feedback

There were issues related to a late availability of the unit. This impacted student access to resources and learning materials.

##### Recommendation

The staffing issues have been addressed. Following a review of the curriculum, adjustments and improvements should be made to address resource issues.

#### Feedback from Student and staff feedback

##### Feedback

There were problems with the text book and delays with orders

##### Recommendation

These issues have been addressed as staffing allocated and library resources ordered in a timely manner.

## Unit Learning Outcomes

### On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. Analyse the historical development of social policy in Australia and the wider international context of social policy
2. Evaluate the inherent value-judgements associated with social policy development and implementation
3. Critically reflect on social policies that are relevant to the human services
4. Evaluate theories of policy development as they apply to social policy making in Australia.
5. Articulate the strategies that social workers can engage in to influence policy development and advocate for positive policy reform

## Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



### Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Online Quiz(zes) - 30%	•	•		•	
2 - Essay - 35%	•	•	•		
3 - Written Assessment - 35%			•	•	•

### Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Communication					
2 - Problem Solving					•
3 - Critical Thinking	•	•	•	•	
4 - Information Literacy	•	•	•	•	•
5 - Team Work					
6 - Information Technology Competence					
7 - Cross Cultural Competence	•			•	
8 - Ethical practice		•			•
9 - Social Innovation					•
10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures					

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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2 - Essay - 35%			•	•			•			
3 - Written Assessment - 35%		•	•	•					•	

## Textbooks and Resources

Information for Textbooks and Resources has not been released yet.

This information will be available on Monday 17 June 2024

## Academic Integrity Statement

Information for Academic Integrity Statement has not been released yet.

This unit profile has not yet been finalised.