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End of Semester I & II Examination

SWSA 2115: SOCIAL WORK VALUES AND ETHICS

NKOZI AND RUBAGA CAMPUSES

DATE: Friday 15th December, 2023

TIME: 2:00pm-5:00pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

- (a) Answer four questions. Question one is compulsory
- (b) All questions carry equal marks.

TIME: 3 Hours

Question one

With the aid of relevant examples, write brief notes of the following theories and how they can guide ethical decision making in any social work intervention.

- a) Utilitarianism theory
- b) Deontology theory
- c) Rights theory
- d) Virtues theory

Question two

- a) By use of relevant examples, define social work ethics (8marks)
- b) Discuss the relevancy of an ethical code in the social work profession(17marks)

Question three

- a) Dual relationships are known to cause ethical problems in social work profession, reflecting on the knowledge acquired in this course, describe what a typical dual relationship in social work means and make sure you use relevant examples to bring out the true meaning of dual relationships. Give at least four examples of possible dual relationships in social work (15 marks)
- b) As a professional social worker, what do you do when faced with a dual relationship scenario (10 marks)

Question four

You are a community social worker and the community calls you to intervene in a family issue, the family has experienced the death of a child but you are not well trained in grief management. Should you go ahead and intervene because the family and the community have called for your help? Answer reflecting of the code of ethics of social work on the decision you need to take as a professional social worker. (25 Marks)

Question five

You are working in a social service agency and you notice that some of your colleagues engage in some form of corruption and nepotism at this agency-and you have even evidence of such unethical practices. Reflecting on the ethical code of conduct for social workers,

- a) Write to the manager expressing your personal and professional concerns about such unethical conduct. (12.5 marks)
- b) Suggest practical and genuine actions the boss should take to deal with unethical conduct. (12.5 marks)

Question six

Social workers must maintain their client's issues as confidential as possible but in some circumstances, this may be broken. Describe **three** circumstances in which social workers may break the principle of confidentiality. (25 marks)

Question seven

Beneath every core social work value is an ethical principle; with clear illustrations describe the different ethical principles as provided for in the code of ethics for social workers **(25 marks)**

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