W3 Tutorial

Social Work:
Making a Difference

Recap (10min)

- **What did you think of the Lecture?**
  - What did you learn？
    - Lecture 1 - Social Work Today (Dr. Gary Clapton)
    - Lecture 2 - Social Work in a Global Context (Prof. George Palattiyil)
  - What points stood out?
  - Any questions?

Activity (25-30min)

The History of Social Work

Key reading: Cree, V. E. (2018) A history of social work in Scotland. In Cree, V. E. and Smith, M. (eds) (2018) *Social Work in a Changing Scotland*. London: Routledge.

Drawing from the above book chapter, please discuss the following questions in your tutorial groups.

- How did Scotland's approach to social work differ from the rest of the UK historically?

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From your experience (5-10min)

- **Any other additions?**
  - …

Wrap-up

- **Comparison between Scotland and England (also Wales)**
  - Ability to work + moral worth = basis for policy
  - Social geography
  - Religion

- **Key points to think about its past, today and future**
  - Human Nature
  - Responsibility, and
  - Moral Judgement

W2 Tutorial

Social Work:
Making a Difference

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Activity (20-25min)

- **Read (link will open in a new browser tab) [Chapter 9 by Karen McAlister: 'How One Social Worker Made a Difference' in Becoming a Social Worker (3rd ed.), edited by V.E. Cree (2022), published by Routledge.](#) After completing the reading, answer the following question in your tutorial groups.**
  - How would you define social work based on the content of this chapter?
  - Considering the author's experiences shared throughout the chapter, what insights do you gain about the challenges and rewards of social work in real-world practice?

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From your experience (10-15min)

- **What is social work?**

  - …

- **Rewards and challenges social work faces?**

  - …

Wrap-up

- **What is social work?**
    - From this case: Relationships; Changes; Collaboration; User-centered

- **Rewards and challenges social work faces?**
    - Rewards (individual level)
    - Rewards (system/systemic level)
    - Challenges