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Title: Interchange in Sociology: Working with Communities
Status: Definitive
Code: **6101SOC** (124547)
Version Start Date: 01-08-2021

Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science
Teaching School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science

| Team | Leader |
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| Key Standing | Y |

Academic Level: FHEQ6 **Credit Value:** 20 **Total Delivered Hours:** 28
Total Learning Hours: 200 **Private Study:** 184

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

| Component | Contact Hours |
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| Placement/Practice | 12 |
| Tutorial | 7 |
| Workshop | 21 |

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

| Category | Short Description | Description | Weighting (%) | Exam Duration |
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| Portfolio | AS1 | Project Plan Proposal, 4500 Words | 100 | |

Aims

1. To negotiate and plan a community-based learning project with a local Voluntary & Community Organisation (VCO);
2. To identify and critically evaluate appropriate literature of relevance to the project;
3. To explore practical issues of ethics, access and methodologies.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Produce a project plan for a work project with a client organisation that identifies appropriate methodologies and techniques;
- 2 Assess and solve practical challenges relating to ethical clearance, access and project planning;
- 3 Establish good working relationships and communication with VCOs.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

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| Project Plan Proposal | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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Outline Syllabus

Collaborative working and action research
Ethical considerations
Communicating and collaborating with a VCO
Practical project skills
Reviewing relevant literature
Making methodological choices

Learning Activities

Students will be expected to negotiate a learning agreement with a VCO and consult the organisation as part of the process of developing their project proposal. They will be allocated an academic supervisor. The module is supported by workshops and tutorials that help focus the student on identifying and overcoming practical challenges, such as obtaining ethical approval and planning fieldwork.

Notes

This module allows students to plan a project that, subject to feasibility, will be undertaken in partnership with a voluntary / community organisation (VCO). The module centres on the principle of students as co-producers of knowledge. The module aims to lay down a firm foundation in terms of project proposal, ethical clearance and methodological/ theoretical approaches for the Interchange in Sociology: Community-based learning module. Students will also have the opportunity to complete their Gold Statement.