UNIVERSIDADE LUSÍADA
LISBOA

Course Unit Program
THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS IN SOCIAL SERVICE

Academic Year 2024/2025

1. Organic Unit

Higher Institute of Social Work

2. Course

SOCIAL WORK

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS IN SOCIAL SERVICE (L4507)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

1st

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

2nd Semester

FUNDAÇÃO MINERVA CULTURA - ENSINO E INVESTIGAÇÃO CIENTÍFICA

Rua da Junqueira, 188 a 198 - 1349-001 LISBOA - Telefone 213 611 500 - Fax 213 638 307 - e-mail: info@lis.ulusiada.pt - https://www.lis.ulusiada.pt

8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	30,00
Practical classes:	
Theoretical-Practical Classes	
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

Prof. Doutora FABRÍCIA CRISTINA DE CASTRO MACIEL

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

1.Problematize/understand the professional intervention of Social Work in today's society, considering its emergence and evolution theoretically and critically;
2. Analyze the theoretical foundations of global intervention in Social Work and its component elements with emphasis on the mediations of the institution/organization ? and the professional relationship established
3.Know/understand the global methodology of Social work intervention, working on it in individual and collective units:

15. Specific Objectives

- Establish the relationship between societal transformations and "social spaces" that enhance processes of Social Innovation within the framework of Social Service praxis
- Develop a reflective analysis on contemporary social issues through a transdisciplinary vision
- Identify key trends and social forces shaping Social Work.

16. Skills to be acquired

FUNDAÇÃO MINERVA CULTURA - ENSINO E INVESTIGAÇÃO CIENTÍFICA

Rua da Junqueira, 188 a 198 - 1349-001 LISBOA - Telefone 213 611 500 - Fax 213 638 307 - e-mail: info@lis.ulusiada.pt - https://www.lis.ulusiada.pt

- Apprehend the different ways of conceptualizing "Society", establishing a bridge with models of knowledge and intervention in Social Work.
- Identify structural dimensions of the ethical-political project of Social Work in contemporary society.
- Establish relationships between social change processes and Social Work.
- Think the intervention in the localized management of social problems, based on a transdisciplinary point of view.

17. Teaching Methodology

. Theoretical exposition of the subject, by the teacher, from reference authors.
. Presentation of key ideas, by the students, based on reading the bibliography, followed by a debate by the class.
. Activities and exercises in class to problematize theories and professional practice.

18. Course Unit Program

1. Nature and theoretical foundations of Social Work:
a)Contextualization of contemporary society and the expressions of the Social Question
b)Conceptions, definitions, principles and values of society and Social Work
c) Social Work, the Welfare State, Social and Human Rights.

2. Philosophical and theoretical currents in Social Work:
a) Theoretical trends and paradigmatic fields
b) Objects and aims of social intervention
c) Mediating component elements: Theme/problem; Social Policy, strategies and social movements; Institution/organization; The Professional; The User, subject/object, social actor

3. The overall methodology of intervention in Social Work:
a) Methodological structure and process
b) Logical structure organizing the action: Initial request / Problem formulation; Study / Analysis and diagnostic interpretation; Programming / action alternatives; Intervention / Execution; Evaluation.
c) The ethical and deontological dimension of Social Work.

19. Assessment Methods

- 2 individual tests with consultation
- 1 group work
- Other elements

In accordance with the weighting defined by the General Regulation for the Assessment of Knowledge of the Lusíada University of Lisbon

20. Didactic Resources

. Dialogic exposition
. Power point
. Documentary Videos
. Supporting Texts from reference authors
. Discussion of topics on the readings carried out
. Reflective exercises and practical activities

FUNDAÇÃO MINERVA CULTURA - ENSINO E INVESTIGAÇÃO CIENTÍFICA

Rua da Junqueira, 188 a 198 - 1349-001 LISBOA - Telefone 213 611 500 - Fax 213 638 307 - e-mail: info@lis.ulusiada.pt - https://www.lis.ulusiada.pt

21. Sustainability Objectives

This C.U. aims to contribute to sustainability in the following areas:
1 - Substantially increase the number of young people and adults with relevant qualifications, including technical and professional skills, to work in the various fields and sectors of social work and decent activity.
2 - Ensuring equal opportunities in university education.
3 - Respect for cultural diversity; Social and environmental responsibility.
4 - Enabling capacities for the development of the UN SDGs 2023.

22. Keywords

Theory
Methodology
Social work
Social Interventions
Social Innovation
Social Citizenship

FUNDAÇÃO MINERVA CULTURA - ENSINO E INVESTIGAÇÃO CIENTÍFICA

Rua da Junqueira, 188 a 198 - 1349-001 LISBOA - Telefone 213 611 500 - Fax 213 638 307 - e-mail: info@lis.ulusiada.pt - https://www.lis.ulusiada.pt

23. Main Bibliography

Author(s):	Amaro, Maria Inês		
Title:	Urgências e Emergências do Serviço Social		
Edition:	2ª	Year:	2015
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	Universidade Católica Editora		

Author(s):	Robertis, C		
Title:	Metodologia de intervenção em trabalho social		
Edition:	1ª	Year:	2011
Local:	Porto		
Publisher:	Porto Editora		

Author(s):	Núncio, Maria José		
Title:	Introdução ao Serviço Social. História, teoria e métodos		
Edition:	3º	Year:	2023
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	ISCSP		

24. Complementary Bibliography

Author(s):	Dominelli, Lena		
Title:	Social Work in a Globalizing World		
Edition:	1ª	Year:	2010
Local:	Oxford		
Publisher:	Polity Press		

Author(s):	Yazbek, Maria Carmelita		
Title:	Fundamentos históricos e teorico-metodológicos e as tendências contemporâneas no Serviço Social		
Edition:	1ª	Year:	2018
Local:	Campinas		
Publisher:	Papel Social		

FUNDAÇÃO MINERVA CULTURA - ENSINO E INVESTIGAÇÃO CIENTÍFICA

Rua da Junqueira, 188 a 198 - 1349-001 LISBOA - Telefone 213 611 500 - Fax 213 638 307 - e-mail: info@lis.ulusiada.pt - https://www.lis.ulusiada.pt

UNIVERSIDADE LUSÍADA
LISBOA

Ficha técnica MIP / MIP Datasheet	
Título / Title	Course Unit Program 'FUNDAMENTOS TEÓRICOS EM SERVIÇO SOCIAL': Academic Year 2024/2025
Autor / Author	Prof. Doutora FABRÍCIA CRISTINA DE CASTRO MACIEL
Classificação / Classification	-
Descritores / Descriptors	-
Colaborador(es) / Colaborator(s)	-
Data Hora / Date Time	
Formato de dados / Data Format	Texto / Text, PDF
Estatuto de utilização / Usage	Acesso público / Public Access
Relação / Relation	Version 1,0

(c) Universidade Lusíada, 2025

FUNDAÇÃO MINERVA CULTURA - ENSINO E INVESTIGAÇÃO CIENTÍFICA

Rua da Junqueira, 188 a 198 - 1349-001 LISBOA - Telefone 213 611 500 - Fax 213 638 307 - e-mail: info@lis.ulusiada.pt - https://www.lis.ulusiada.pt