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Course Unit Program
ETHICAL ISSUES AND POLITICAL DIMENSION

Academic Year 2024/2025

1. Organic Unit

Higher Institute of Social Work

2. Course

SOCIAL WORK

3. Cycle

2nd

4. Course Unit

ETHICAL ISSUES AND POLITICAL DIMENSION (M6301)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

1st

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

2nd Semester

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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	
Practical classes:	
Theoretical-Practical Classes	15,00
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

7,50

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

Prof. Doutora TERESA PAULA GARCIA RODRIGUES DA SILVA

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

To deepen the reflection around the question of man, as a personal and relational being and, structurally, ethical.
Propose a reflection around the assumptions and philosophical foundations of Ethics and Deontology, in order to clarify its rational dimension and to provide the theoretical and conceptual instruments indispensable to professional practice.

15. Specific Objectives

Enable the perception of the different forms of rationality present in contemporary ethics, based on the return to the subject, pointing out the main frames of reference in which professional practices are carried out.
Provide essential theoretical and conceptual instruments for reflection on ethics and deontology in different contexts, dimensions and fields of professional action.

16. Skills to be acquired

Ability to carry out an ethically sustained foundation that integrates the axiological dimensions of professional interaction, in the helping relationship, in the definition of policies, plans, programs and social projects.
Ability to critically and self-critically enunciate professional practices in different institutional contexts in the light of the national Code of Ethics.

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17. Teaching Methodology

Participated exhibition, through the practice of an active and dialogic pedagogy, involving the debate of themes/problems, the presentation of results of significant readings, reflections and research, promoters of critical attitudes, free and reflective.

18. Course Unit Program

I. Assumptions and foundations
1.Ethics, axiology, morals and deontology
2.Nature of ethical values and professional ethics
3.Concept of person and human dignity, freedom and social justice
4.Action, ethical action and the human condition
5. Classical theories of ethics
II - Social Service and Applied Ethics
1. Profession, vocation and professional ethics
2. Acting ethically and responsibility. Minimal ethics.
3. Application of professional ethics
4. The helping relationship, tensions, dilemmas and ethical challenges
III- Political dimension and new social issues
1. Place and meaning: Social Work today
2. Social intervention: knowledge and power
3. The meaning of practice: Reflective thinking and critical thinking

19. Assessment Methods

written work and its oral discussion or a written point (optional).

20. Didactic Resources

PowerPoint

21. Sustainability Objectives

The Profissional Ethics curricular unit 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, for employment, decent work and entrepreneurship.
2 - Ensuring equal opportunities in university education
3 - Respect for cultural diversity. Social and environement responsability. Ethical values and commitments.

22. Keywords

Social Work
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Ethic
Deontology

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Title:	Fundamentos del trabajo social		
Edition:		Year:	2009
Local:	Madrid		
Publisher:	Alianza Editorial		

Author(s):	BANKS, Sara		
Title:	Ética y valores en el trabajo social		
Edition:		Year:	1997
Local:	Barcelona		
Publisher:	Paidós		

Author(s):	ROBERTIS, Cristina de		
Title:	Fundamentos del trabajo social. Ética y metodología		
Edition:		Year:	2001
Local:	Valencia		
Publisher:	Nau Libres/ Universitat de Valencia,		

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Author(s):	KNOCH, Michael		
Title:	A deontologia dos Assistentes Sociais como ética profissional in Intervenção Social, in Intervenção		
Edition:	Junho (5-31)	Year:	2003
Local:	Lisboa		
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Author(s):	ALONSO, Augusto Hortal		
Title:	Ética general de las professiones		
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