



### Course Description

Development of structures and expressions for communication skills in the area of social work. Practice in reading, writing, listening and speaking relevant to the fundamentals of social work as well as social work issues.

### Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes (COLOs)

Objective 1: To be able to read articles and discuss materials related to particular issues in social work.
Learning Outcome 1.1: Read and discuss news articles during group-based tasks. Learning Outcome 1.2: Read and discuss case studies in groups and with the teacher.
Objective 2: To be able to demonstrate writing skills in the field of social work.
Learning Outcome 2.1: Write a summary. Learning Outcome 2.2: Use the vocabulary and grammatical structures successfully when writing.
Objective 3: To demonstrate listening/speaking skills and an understanding of the aspects of social work practice.
Learning Outcome 3.1: Present roles and duties of social workers in different settings through oral presentation. Learning Outcome 3.2: Listen to various contexts related to social work and social problems.
Objective 4: To demonstrate critical thinking skills in discussing social problems.
Learning Outcome 4.1: Present problems and solutions or suggestions to certain social problems. Learning Outcome 4.2: Present a news story on social problems and share insightful comments.

### Course Materials

Course materials will be provided by the course instructor.

### Course Evaluation

Assessment	Points	Grade	Points (Onsite)
Participation	10	A	80 and above
Assignment 1	10	B+	75 - 79
Assignment 2	10	B	70 - 74
Assignment 3	20	C+	65 - 69
Midterm Examination	25	C	60 – 64
Final Examination	25	D+	55 – 59
Total	100	D	50 -54
		F	49 and below

#### Assessment Criteria (Assignments)

- Content and Originality
- Organization
- Language Accuracy
- Interesting Presentation and Creativity

Note: \* All assignments must be submitted on time. The earned score will be reduced progressively in relation to the number of delayed days. (-1 point per day)\*

## Instructor, Time and Venue

Section/Group	Day	Time	Room	Instructor
810001	Monday	09.30 – 12.30	LI 212	A. Patchara Wonghiransombat
810002	Monday	09.30 – 12.30	LI 213	A. Dr. Alisa Ratanapruks
820001	Monday	13.30 – 16.30	LI 212	A. Patchara Wonghiransombat
820002	Monday	13.30 – 16.30	LI 213	A. Dr. Alisa Ratanapruks
820003	Monday	13.30 – 16.30	LI 204	Asst. Prof. Dr. Vanlee Siriganjanavong
820004	Monday	13.30 – 16.30	SC 2 - 302	Asst. Prof. Tanom Tiensawangchai
820005	Monday	13.30 – 16.30	SC 2 - 303	Asst. Prof. Wanna Chareonchang

\*Rooms LI 204, LI 212 and LI 213 are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Language Institute Building.

## Assignments

Tasks	What to do	What to submit
<b>Assignment 1</b> COLO: 3.1 SDG: 4	<u>An individual work</u> 1. Choose the type of social workers that you would like to be or that you are interested in. 2. Write a paragraph of 100-150 words covering the reasons for choosing this type of social workers, the location of social work practice, and the daily routine. 3. Give a live presentation that lasts about 2-3 minutes and use visual aids (e.g., PowerPoint) to make the presentation more visually appealing.	1. <b>Live presentation</b> and visual aids (10 points) 2. Script (Fail to submit -2 points)
<b>Assignment 2</b> COLO: 2.2, 4.1, 4.3 SDG: 3, 4	<u>A pair work</u> 1. Choose one of the challenges of social workers in your city. 2. Write a paragraph of 100-150 words covering the types of social workers, the challenge, causes of the challenge, possible solutions and suggestions. 3. Give a presentation that lasts about 3-4 minutes and use visual aids (e.g., PowerPoint) to make the presentation more visually appealing.	1. <b>VDO clip</b> and visual aids (10 points) 2. Script (Fail to submit -2 points)
<b>Assignment 3</b> COLO: 1.1, 2.2, 4.2, 4.3 SDG: 4	<u>A pair work</u> 1. Find a news story about social problems. The news story must contain at least 3 direct quotes (direct speech). 2. Write a summary of 150-200 words of the chosen news story and comments. The direct quotes have to be changed into reported speech and included in the summary. 3. Give a live presentation that lasts about 3-4 minutes and use visual aids (e.g., PowerPoint) to make the presentation more visually appealing.	1. <b>Live presentation</b> and visual aids (10 points) 2. A summary (10 points) 3. The original news story (Fail to submit -2 points)

## Plagiarism Policy

Thammasat University students are required to refrain from any kind of plagiarism, i.e. an act of copying other people's work, such as language, thoughts, or expressions, without crediting the original author(s). Copying any sentences or paragraphs from any sources, e.g. websites, books, etc., and pasting them into their assignments are thus considered cheating, which will result in a mark of zero for the assignment or even an F grade. Please refer to Thammasat University's regulations on students' disciplines [here](#) and examination [here](#).

## Active Learning Activities

1. Exercises, group discussions
2. Lectures and videos
3. Online research assignments
4. Presentations (live and video)

## Important Dates

Add/Drop 15 - 28 August 2023  
 Drop W period 4 September - 22 October 2023

## Tentative Schedule

Date	Learning outcome/ activity	Topic/ content
21 August 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read and talk about types of social workers.</li> <li>• Watch videos about social workers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Course Introduction</li> <li>• About Social Workers</li> <li>• Tense Review</li> </ul>
28 August 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review present simple tense, present progressive tense, past simple tense, and past progressive tense.</li> </ul>	
4 September 2023		
11 September 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read and talk about challenges of social workers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Challenges of Social Workers</li> <li>• Tense Review</li> <li>• Modals</li> </ul>
18 September 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch videos about challenges of social workers.</li> </ul>	
25 September 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review present perfect tense.</li> <li>• Practice modals.</li> </ul>	
Sunday 1 October 2023	Midterm Examination (12.00 - 14.00)	
9 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give a live presentation.</li> </ul>	*Assignment 1: Types of Social Workers
16 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read and talk about social problem news.</li> <li>• Watch videos about social problem news.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Problem News</li> <li>• Reported Speech</li> </ul>
<b>23 October 2023</b> <b>No Class</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practice reported speech.</li> <li>• Write a news summary</li> </ul>	
30 October 2023		
6 November 2023		
13 November 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read and talk about characteristics and skills of successful social workers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Characteristics and Skills of Successful Social Workers</li> <li>• The Passive Voice</li> <li>*Assignment 2: Challenges of Social Workers (Due 13 Nov)</li> </ul>
20 November 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch videos about skills and traits of social workers</li> </ul>	
27 November 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practice the passive voice.</li> </ul>	
4 December 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give a live presentation.</li> </ul>	*Assignment 3: Social Problem News
Monday 18 December 2023	Final Examination (13.00 - 16.00)	