University of Silesia in Katowice

1.	Field of study	Social Work
2.	Faculty	Faculty of Social Sciences
3.	Academic year of entry	2023/2024 (winter term), 2024/2025 (winter term)
4.	Level of qualifications/degree	first-cycle studies
5.	Degree profile	general academic
6.	Mode of study	part-time

7.	General information about the module

Module name	Social microstructures
Module code	W3-SP-S1-MIS
Number of the ECTS credits	3
Language of instruction	Polish
Purpose and description of the content of education	The social microstructures module is aimed at transferring the content of education in the theory of small social groups, processes and dynamics of relationships in small groups, and norms and principles shaping life in the microsocial dimension. The acquired knowledge contributes to a better and fuller understanding of social behaviour and the formation and development of social groups and their role and impact on the individual in social work.
List of modules that must be completed before starting this module (if necessary)	not applicable

8.	Learning outcomes of the module

Code	Description	Learning outcomes of the programme	Level of competenc (scale 1-5)
K01	is aware of the multidimensional, interdisciplinary nature of problems occurring in small social groups - is reflective and critical in their observation	PS1_K01	3
U01	is able to observe, analyze and interpret the changes taking place in selected social groups	PS1_U01	3
		PS1_U03	2
U02	is able to use knowledge in the field of micro-sociology in the practice of social work	PS1_U03	1
W01	knows theoretical concepts covering the issues of small social groups	PS1_W01	3
		PS1_W02	3
W02	knows the specifics of the dynamics of processes taking place in small social groups, knows the mechanisms of creating and changing axiomatic systems based on social microstructures	PS1_W02	3
		PS1_W09	3

9.	Methods of conducting classes

Code	Category	Name (description)
a01	Lecture methods / expository methods	Formal lecture/ course-related lecture *a systematic course of study involving a synthetic presentation of an academic discipline; its implementation assumes a*

		passive reception of the information provided
b02	Problem-solving methods	Lecture-discussion *transmission of content involving interaction with the lecture audience; discussion of lecture-related issues is one of its elements or constitutes its follow-up*
b04	Problem-solving methods	Activating method – discussion / debate *an exchange of views supported by substantive arguments leading to a clash of different views, a compromise or the identification of common positions; it proceeds according to previously agreed-upon rules regarding the time, manner and turn-taking as well as the principles of civil discourse; a discussion is not a competition but aims at finding the best solutions or presenting different points of view; its varieties include brainstorming, Oxford-style debate, panel discussion, decision tree, conference discussion; a debate is an orderly dispute between supporters and opponents of a viewpoint, usually specialists in the field or pre-selected representatives of a group dealing with a common problem*
b08	Problem-solving methods	Activating method – peer learning *learning through the exchange of knowledge in a group/team/pair of students, i.e., in the so-called learning cell; a kind of mutual learning; an approach focused on student activity under the guidance of the person teaching the course; a learning situation where students with a similar level of experience learn from one another*
c07	Demonstration methods	Screen presentation *a presentation of synthetic image content using computer graphics, e.g., a series of slides or other multimedia forms, usually accompanied by a commentary; typical components of a screen presentation include text organized into bulleted points, charts, images and animations, sometimes sound effects or music; a multimedia illustration of course content presented in the form of a projected image*
e07	Practical methods	Simulation *an indirect method; imitating reality in order to gain experience approximating a real one; recreating a real-world situation so that its participant can acquire an experience close to the authentic one; work on "replacement" material*
f01	Methods of self-learning	Self-education *a method which involves independent acquisition of knowledge, skills and social competences, extending their scope and quality; complementary to the learning process taking place in class; taking on the task of developing and adjusting qualifications on one's own; self-study*
f02	Methods of self-learning	Individual work with a text *searching for and acquiring new information using textbooks and other written sources (including their digital versions); searching for texts, selecting fragments for analysis/interpretation, using other texts to solve a problem related to the studied issue*

10.	Forms of teaching				
Code	**Name**	**Number of hours**	**Assessment of the learning outcomes of the module**	**Learning outcomes of the module**	**Methods of conducting classes**
01	lecture	10	exam	K01, W01, W02	a01, b02, c07, f01, f02
02	practical classes	16	course work	K01, U01, U02, W01, W02	b04, b08, e07, f01, f02

11.	The student's work, apart from participation in classes, includes in particular:		
Code	**Category**	**Name (description)**	**Is it part of the BUNA?**
a01	Preparation for classes	Search for materials and review activities necessary for class participation *reviewing literature, documentation, tools and materials as well as the specifics of the syllabus and the range of activities indicated in it as required for full participation in classes*	No
a02	Preparation for classes	Literature reading / analysis of source materials	No

		reading the literature indicated in the syllabus; reviewing, organizing, analyzing and selecting source materials to be used in class	
b01	Consulting the curriculum and the organization of classes	Getting acquainted with the syllabus content *reading through the syllabus and getting acquainted with its content*	No
c02	Preparation for verification of learning outcomes	Studying the literature used in and the materials produced in class *exploring the studied content, inquiring, considering, assimilating, interpreting it, or organizing knowledge obtained from the literature, documentation, instructions, scenarios, etc., used in class as well as from the notes or other materials/artifacts made in class*	No

Information on the details of the module implementation in a given academic year can be found in the syllabus available in the USOS system: https://usosweb.us.edu.pl.