

ADDITIONAL COURSE REGULATIONS

INTRODUCTION

Course title	MA Social Work
Course SITS code(s)	P1194001
Protected titles/awards (only available to students who pass all academic and professional requirements)	MA Social Work PG Dip Social Work
Implementation date	September 2026
Applies to	All Cohorts, except as identified below

1. The Regulations for Taught Awards apply in full to this course, except as detailed in these Additional Course Regulations. In any conflict between the two, this document shall take precedence.

PROTECTED AWARD

2. The target award for this course that confers eligibility to apply for professional registration with Social Work England is MA Social Work. Students must meet all academic and professional requirements, including those concerning attendance and professional practice, together with the requirements of the regulatory body relating to student conduct, good health and good character, to qualify for this award.
3. Students who exit with a PG Dip Social Work will also be eligible to apply for professional registration with Social Work England. Students must meet all relevant academic and professional requirements, including those related to student conduct, good health and good character, to qualify for this award.
4. Aegrotat Awards do not confer eligibility to apply for professional registration with Social Work England.
5. Students who are unable to meet all the academic and professional requirements may be eligible for alternative awards, as set out in the approved course documentation. These awards do not confer eligibility to apply for professional registration with Social Work England.

CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

6. Students must make a formal Declaration of Suitability at the commencement of the course.
7. Students must make a formal declaration of good health and good character at the beginning of each year of the course.
8. Students must remain in good standing in relation to fitness to practise.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING

9. Applicants requesting a transfer from SWE approved Social Work course will need to provide a transcript, reference, completed assessment of practice documentation and a record of placement hours. All the applicant's past theory and practice learning will be mapped against the course's modules. If two years have elapsed between the applicant's social work award and joining the course, the applicant will need to provide evidence of having maintained skills and knowledge, e.g. voluntary or paid work in social care.

HURDLES FOR STUDENTS COMMENCING THE COURSE BEFORE SEPTEMBER 2026

10. Students must pass all assessments.

HURDLES FOR STUDENTS COMMENCING THE COURSE FROM SEPTEMBER 2026

10. Students must pass all assessments.
11. Students must successfully complete the Readiness for Direct Practice assessment in the Foundations of Social Work Practice module before being permitted to go on placement.

COMPENSATION

12. Compensation is not permitted.

RETRIEVAL

13. Where reattendance on placement/professional practice is required, one further attempt will be granted:
 - (i) Where there is an approved action plan to address the issues raised on the previous attempt at placement/practice
 - (ii) Where a suitable placement/practice setting is available.

PROGRESSION

14. Students may only progress the next year of the course on successful completion of the required practice assessment.

FITNESS TO PRACTISE

15. The University Fitness to Practise procedure applies on this course. Where a student is subject to a Fitness to Practise referral, continuation on the course, and engagement with current and future assessment and retrieval opportunities related to professional practice will only be possible:
 - (i) where the Fitness to Practise process deems this to be appropriate and
 - (ii) where any precautionary measures linked to practice are lifted.

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