

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION

The English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT) is used to assess whether persons applying to pursue undergraduate degree programmes at the UWI Open Campus possess a satisfactory level of writing and reading proficiency in English for university academic purposes. For detailed information on the ELPT please visit our website.

COURSE OF STUDY

LEVEL I

SOWK1001	Introduction to Social Work
SOWK1900	Social Work Practicum I
PYSC1000	Introduction to Psychology: Social, Developmental and Abnormal
PHIL1902	Ethics for the Human Services
SOCI1005	Introductory Statistics for the Behavioral Science
SOCI1002	Introduction to Sociology
SOWK1020	Fundamental Principles and Practice of Social Work I
FOUN1101	Caribbean Civilization
FOUN1501	Foundations for Learning
FOUN1001	English for Academic Purposes

LEVEL II

SOWK 2010	Lifespan Diversity within the Caribbean
SOWK 2011	Case Management
SOWK 2012	Family in Context
SOWK1020	Fundamental Principles and Practice of Social Work II
SOWK2018	Social Work Practicum II

HOW TO APPLY

The Open Campus accepts online applications. Applicants must have an email account to begin the process. Log on to our website at www.open.uwi.edu and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the application form.



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INTRODUCTION

This new undergraduate certificate in Social Work from the UWI, Open Campus builds on a 50-year legacy of the University offering top-level and innovative training to social work practitioners across the Caribbean region. This brand-new online option is designed to allow participants to foster and demonstrate understanding of core theories and practices in social work through new ways of thinking and learning.

The programme reflects fundamental themes necessary for region-building and development, including: advocacy for human rights and social justice for the advancement of communities, groups or individuals in order to release human potential for self-empowerment.

Students who complete the Certificate options in Social Work with the Open Campus may be given credits for previous studies undertaken; in order to pursue the BSc in Social Work.

WHO IS THIS PROGRAMME FOR?

- Mature learners already working in the field(s) and interested in pursuing a tertiary education in social work.
- Individuals with degrees in another discipline seeking a career change to social work.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

All courses in the programme will be offered online or blended. In the context of the UWI Open Campus, a fully online programme includes the following:

- Most materials provided by the Open Campus for the study of the course are made available online through the Open Campus' learning management system, The Learning Exchange;
- Most teaching-learning activities (with the exception of fieldwork in the practicum) are conducted in The Learning Exchange;
- Most assessment-related activities are conducted in The Learning Exchange;
- In instances where students are required to engage in course-related activity off-line in the real-world environment, all output from such activity, in whatever format, must be submitted through The Learning Exchange.

Studying online is intended to facilitate active, interactive learning. Thus, students registered for courses will be organised into groups. Each group will have a facilitator (tutor) and the delivery of the entire course will be managed by the course coordinator. Both the course coordinator and the group facilitator will be specialists in the field of study. The teaching and learning process online will be monitored, in order to ensure that it is being conducted in a manner that allows for meaningful learning on the part of the students. Learners and academic staff must have access to a computer with reliable Internet access. Online orientation to the technology as well as the underlying philosophy of the programme will be conducted before the start of the programme.

ASSESSMENT OF PRACTICUM

Students will be required to complete the required practicum hours that will be 100% work-based assessment. Students will be assessed within their placement by an assigned supervisor(s).



WHEN WILL THE PROGRAMME START?

Students may start this programme in August of the Academic Year.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The programme is intended to cater to a wide range of people who work with young children and their families in a variety of settings across the region. In this regard, the programme is targeted at both experienced professionals and beginners to childhood and family studies. New entrants must meet the University's normal matriculation requirements in order to be accepted into the programme. They must satisfy the requirements in either (a) or (b) or (c) or (d) below:

- (a) **As entrants with CXC-CSEC and GCE qualifications having:**
- An acceptable pass in CXC-CSEC Mathematics or its equivalent; AND
 - An acceptable pass in CXC-CSEC English A; AND
 - One of the following minimum qualifications:
 - Either five subjects (at least two GCE A Level or CAPE) and the remainder acceptable passes in CXC-CSEC or GCE O' Level; **OR**
 - Four subjects (at least three GCE A Level or CAPE) and the fourth an acceptable pass in the CXC-CSEC or GCE O' Level
 - Grade requirements for CXC/CSEC subjects are General Proficiency, Grades I or II pre-1998 and Grades I, II, or III from June 1998.
- (b) Holders of five (5) CXC-CSEC or GCE O-Level passes or equivalent, not necessarily obtained at the same sitting.
- (c) Entrants with a Certificate from UWI or another approved Caribbean tertiary level institution, having attained a B+ average or a minimum GPA of 2.5.
- (d) Persons over the age of 21, who have been out of school for at least five years, on the basis, of their overall academic and professional attainments.