



**EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 2011**  
**CURRICULUM GUIDELINES**

**A.** Division:           **Education**

Effective Date:

**September 2011**

**B.** Department /  
Program Area:

**M:** Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, within the following content areas, the student will be able to:

1. **Historical aspects of social welfare policy**
  - describe the relationship between economics, politics, and the formation of Canadian social policy throughout history
  - identify the relationship between marginalized/oppressed groups and policy structures which have limited access to services
  - critically analyze social policy based on social work values
  - identify the role of the social worker in the formation and delivery of Canadian social policy
  - describe the reciprocal relationship between the formation of public opinion, media, and larger social forces
2. **Poverty**
  - describe “relative” and “absolute” definitions of poverty
  - research and interpret poverty statistics
  - describe the social, psychological and economic impact of poverty
  - describe the process of income assistance delivery in British Columbia, including basic legislation and client eligibility.
3. **Impact of culture and oppression on the practice of social work**
  - describe what is meant by structural, feminist, and First Nations’ social work
  - describe how racism, sexism, heterosexism, and ageism produce attitudes and policies which sustain inequalities in society
  - demonstrate knowledge of anti-oppressive social work to empower and validate the individual
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