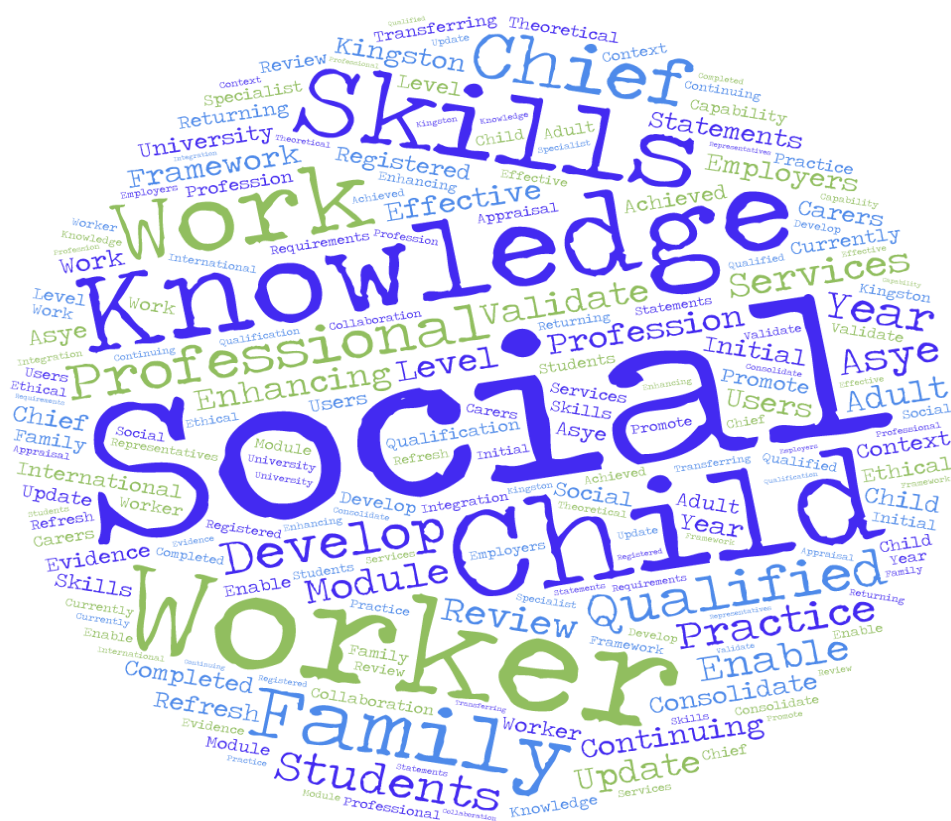


SW7032

## Enhancing knowledge and skills for child and family social workers (15 Credits)



## **Enhancing knowledge and skills for child and family Social Workers**

This module equips registered child and family Social Workers to review, update and validate what they know and what they can do as outlined in the Chief Social Workers' Knowledge and Skills Statements for child and family social work. (DfE 2015)

The module is part of the continuing professional development framework for Social Workers at Kingston University. Social Workers who have completed their ASYE programme can apply for recognition of their previous learning and achieve an additional 15 academic credits.

### **Who can take this module?**

The module is designed to assist transitions in the profession and as such is suitable for

- Qualified Social Workers who are completing or who have recently completed the ASYE year
- Qualified social workers who may be returning to the profession after absence
- Qualified Social Workers joining the profession with an international qualification.
- Qualified Social Workers who are transferring from adult to child and family services
- Qualified Social Workers who currently practice in child and family social work who need to consolidate and refresh their knowledge and skills

### **What you will learn on this module**

The Knowledge and Skills Statements for Child and Family Social Work will inform all curriculum content (DfE 2015). Module learning sessions will address:

- The role of the social worker in the contemporary practice and policy context in child and family social work
- Child development Adult mental ill-health, substance misuse, domestic violence, physical ill-health and disability
- Abuse and neglect of children and effective direct work with children and families
- Child and family assessment and analysis, decision-making, planning and review
- The law and the family justice system
- Professional ethics
- The role of supervision and research
- Organisational context

### **How you will learn on this module**

Learning in this module will take place through lectures, small group discussions, class-based learning activities, group work exercises and e-learning. Students will be encouraged to draw upon their own practice experience. Additional resources for learning are available via the Canvas Virtual Learning Environment. All students will be offered individual tutorials.

## Where and when?

The module will be delivered on the Kingston Hill Campus of Kingston University. There is free car parking available on site. For those using public transport, there is a regular bus service to the campus.

Session/theme	Date	Room	Staff
1. Introduction to the module and Resources Session 10.00 – 12.00	07.01.2020 (a.m.)	BS1021	DB LA
2. Psychobiography 12.00 – 16.00	(p.m.)	KH0026	DB
3. Relationships; Supervision and critical reflection	04.02.2020 (a.m.) (p.m.)	BS3033 KH0026	DB
4. Contemporary social work issues; Culture	03.03.2020 (a.m.) (p.m.)	BS3033 KH0026	DB
5. Teaching across disciplines; Organisations	31.03.2020 (a.m.) (p.m.)	BS3033 KH0026	DB
6. Service users, power and agency; Politics/Economy Assignment planning	05.05.2020 (a.m.) (p.m.)	BS3024 KH0025	DB
Tutorials	By arrangement	Tbc	DB

Module learning sessions are once a month from January to May 2020. This is designed to enable students to implement learning from the module in their professional practice.

## How will you be assessed?

Teaching, learning and assessment on this module are designed to provide students with the opportunity to prepare for professional status accreditation processes such as those being developed for children and families social workers in England which include on-line testing and scenario based written assessments

## Support

Every student will be offered mentoring by the module leader or another faculty member. We have a considerable depth of practice experience and knowledge within the faculty that we can draw on as needed.

Kingston University offers a range of student support services, which will be available to you

**Costs** This module costs **£850** in the 2019-20 academic year.

## Apply on line at

<http://www.kingston.ac.uk/postgraduate-module/post-qualifying-social-work-modules/>

The closing date for completed applications is 4<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

## Suggested pre-module reading;

Akhtar, F. (2012) *Mastering Social Work Value and Ethics*. London. Jessica Kingsley

Davies, K. and Jones, R. (2015) *Skills for Social Work Practice*. London. Palgrave Macmillan.

Knowledge and Skills statement for child and family social work can be accessed at  
<https://www.google.co.uk/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&ion=1&espv=2&ie=UTF-8#q=knowledge+and+skills+statement+for+child+and+family+social+work>

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