



National Taiwan Normal University Graduate Institute of Social Work

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History

Graduate Institute of Social Work was established in August 2005. Its foundation was to respond to the rapid social changes of Taiwanese societies and the needs of social welfare and social work community in a worldwide view.

Goals

1. To foster professional social workers.
2. To promote the academic and research development of social work.
3. To work with professional social work groups nationwide to enhance service quality.
4. To strengthen the cooperation and exchange with international social work groups.

Degree Requirements

The courses cover theory, practice, direct service, policy planning and management. The structure of the course is divided into research, theory, methodology, specialty, and field practicum. The minimum complete credits for graduation are 33 (plus the master thesis).

Features

Our focus is to provide social work teaching, research and related services. We aim to both nature dedicated social workers and encourage social work research by tackling issues such as children/juvenile welfare, women welfare, social assistance, and non-profit organization management, which is to create solid academic foundation for social work. Moreover, we plan to actively engage ourselves with the international social work community so as to enhance academic and practical exchange and cooperation.

Faculty

Currently, the faculty of the Institute is composed of 4 associate professors.

Future Prospects

In addition to nurturing professional social workers, we plan to move on in the following directions:

1. To reinforce integrated academic research in order to enhance our academic competitiveness.
2. To participate in social policymaking and promote the rights of the minority.
3. To collaborate with international and domestic scholars as well as practitioners.

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