# Course Schedule

## Important:
- **ALL TIMES EASTERN** - Please see the University Policies section of your Syllabus for details.
- Some Assignments are subject to the Extension Policy. See the Course Policies for details.

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<th>Week</th>
<th>Module</th>
<th>Tasks and Assignments</th>
<th>Begin Date</th>
<th>Due Date</th>
<th>Weight (%)</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Module 1: Thinking Critically About Social Welfare Policy in Canada</td>
<td>Syllabus Checkpoint Quiz</td>
<td>Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Sunday, September 26, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
<td>(3% reduction of final grade if not passed by due date)</td>
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<td>Module 1 Discussions</td>
<td>Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
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<td>Module 2: The Rise of the Welfare State</td>
<td>Module 2 Discussions</td>
<td>Monday, September 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Sunday, September 19, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Module 3: Globalization and the Fall of the Welfare State</td>
<td>Module 3 Discussions</td>
<td>Monday, September 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Sunday, September 26, 2021</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Module 4: Ideologies, Structures, and Processes of Policy-Making</td>
<td>Module 4 Discussions</td>
<td>Monday, September 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Module 5: The Role of Policy in Addressing Poverty and Unemployment</td>
<td>Policy Debate Checkpoint: Proposal (team submission)</td>
<td>Monday, October 4, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Monday, October 18, 2021 at 9:00 AM</td>
<td>2.5%*</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Module 6: Women, Sexuality and Gender Diversity in Social Welfare Policy in Canada</td>
<td>Module 5 Review</td>
<td>Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
<td>5%**</td>
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<td>Module 6 Discussions</td>
<td>Monday, October 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
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<td>Module 6 Review</td>
<td>Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
<td>Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Module 7: Social Policy and Indigeneity Part I: Internal Colonization and the Canadian</td>
<td>Module 7 Discussions</td>
<td>Monday, October 25, 2021 at 12:00 AM</td>
<td>Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 11:55 PM</td>
<td>2.5%*</td>
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**Reading Week (Saturday, October 9, 2021 to Sunday, October 17, 2021)**
**State**

**MyModule**

**Checkpoint: Proposal**

Self-enroll in three (3) **Policy Debate Discussions** Groups of your choice

**Policy Debate Preparation Module**

**Module 7 Review**

**Policy Debate Presentation** (team submission)

**Policy Debate Peer Assessment** (individual submission)

**Module 8: Social Policy and Indigeneity Part II: Welfare of Indigenous Children and Youth**

**Module 8 Discussion**

**Module 8 Review**

**Module 9: (dis)Ability Policy: A Tangled Web of Complexity**

**Module 9 Discussion**

**Module 9 Review**

**Module 10: Addressing Race, Racism, and Immigration in Social Welfare Policy**

**Module 10 Discussion**

**MyModule**

**Completed Project**

**Final Examination Period**

**Module 10 Review**

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*Best 4 out of final 6 Module Discussions (Modules 5-10) count toward final mark; total: 10%

**Best 4 out of 6 Module Reviews count toward final mark (Modules 5-10); total: 20%

There is no final examination for this course
## Contact Information

### Announcements

Your instructor uses the Announcements widget on the Course Home page during the term to communicate new or changing information regarding due dates, instructor absence, etc., as needed. You are expected to read the announcements on a regular basis.

To ensure you are viewing the complete list of announcements, you may need to click Show All Announcements.

### Discussions

A General Discussion topic* has also been made available to allow students to communicate with peers in the course. Your instructor may drop in at this discussion topic.

### Contact Us

**Who and Why**

**Contact Details**

**Post your course-related questions** to the Ask Your Instructor discussion topic*. This allows other students to benefit from your question as well.

**Questions of a personal nature** can be directed to your instructor.

Instructor: Chris Hiller (she/her)  
chris.hiller@uwaterloo.ca

TA: Samantha Chan (she/them)  
skcchan@uwaterloo.ca

Your instructor checks email and the Ask Your Instructor discussion topic* frequently and will make every effort to reply to your questions within 24–48 hours, Monday to Friday. Posting to the discussion board allows other students to benefit from your question as well.

**Online office hours**
Chris will hold online office hours via zoom **Tuesdays at 10-11am.** You will be placed in a waiting room, and Chris will admit you into the room when your turn comes. You can access office hours using this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86522929171

Meeting ID: 865 2292 9171
Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdl2HIWcdW

Please note: If these hours don't work for you, please don't hesitate to call Chris to set up a separate call!

**Community Café**

Join for the Community Café on **Friday afternoons from 1:00-2:00pm**, using this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85312295882

Meeting ID: 853 1229 5882
Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/ktxcG5moQ

**Technical Support, Centre for Extended Learning**

Technical problems with Waterloo LEARN

learnhelp@uwaterloo.ca

Include your full name, WatIAM user ID, student number, and course name and number.

Technical support is available during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM (Eastern Time).

**IST Knowledge Base: For Students**

**Learner Support Services, Centre for Extended Learning**

General inquiries

extendedlearning@uwaterloo.ca

Include your full name, WatIAM user ID, student number, and course name and number.

*Discussion topics can be accessed by clicking **Connect** and then **Discussions** on the course navigation bar above.*
Course Description and Learning Outcomes

Course Description

This course will introduce students to concepts and dilemmas in Canadian social welfare policy as it has evolved in the post-industrial era. It will examine some of the social, economic, and political factors that shaped the establishment of the Canadian welfare state and explore recent trends in social welfare policy. Drawing on the historical trajectory of the rise and retreat of the Canadian welfare state, this course challenges students to engage in critical consideration of what lies ahead for Canadian social welfare policy and what their role will be – as social workers and as citizens – in shaping that future.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students should be able to:

- Define the concept of social welfare policy and the Canadian social welfare state
- Discuss the ideological, social, political, and economic factors underlying the historical development of the Canadian welfare state, and those influencing the current policy agenda in Canada
- Describe how social welfare policies are informed by, challenge, and at times reinforce intersecting systems of power that reproduce inequities and impact people who have been marginalized and oppressed
- Analyze through a critical lens the key strengths, limitations, challenges and dilemmas surrounding specific social welfare initiatives of their interest
- Explain the role of the professional social worker in the social welfare policy process with respect to issues of equity, justice, and anti-oppressive practice.

How we will learn together

This course reflects the premise that knowledge is created and generated in multiple ways and that we must resist colonist hierarchies that privilege Western ontologies over other ways of knowing and being. To this end, the readings, activities, videos, and assignments that I have curated in this course draw on various ways of knowing and learning. Each week will combine a mix of reading, viewing/listening, discussion, and short written reviews.

My intention in developing this course is to create a virtual space in which you and your classmates can grapple with the course materials in a respectful and thoughtful manner; unlike Twitter or the Facebook comments section, this is a space for careful, humble, and serious discussion and debate. It is a space in which each of us should be open to being challenged about our opinions and positions, but
also a space where critiques are tempered by the understanding that each of us is entering the dialogue with a desire to learn and change. Our aim is to create a rare online space of care, mutual respect, accountability and trust.

Along with being a space of learning, our class is also a space in which to identify and resist the structures of oppression that permeate societal structures as well as our day-to-day interactions. To this end, I urge each of you to be self-reflexive about how your behaviours or comments might reflect patriarchal, misogynist, classist, racist, homophobic, transphobic, or ableist relations of power. We are each in the process of learning and unlearning these logics that dominate our society, so there is no expectation here that any one of us is self-actualized and perfect; all I ask is that each of us be critically mindful of how what we think, say or do in interactions with others might be shaped by these forces.
Chris Hiller (she/her) is a researcher and educator with more than twenty-five years of experience of teaching in undergraduate and graduate university programs as well as community-based social services, local and national literacy organizations, and national faith-based social justice organizations. For over twenty years, Chris’ work as a scholar and educator has centred on strategies for engaging non-Indigenous people in supporting Indigenous efforts to decolonize Canadian society. For five years, she coordinated a national faith-based program of education and policy advocacy in support of Indigenous land, treaty, and inherent rights. Chris’ research explores the contexts and processes by which settlers are prompted to rethink their place and responsibilities in light of the on-going history of colonization and in relation to Indigenous peoples and lands. She has presented and published this work in the fields of education, sociology, social work, and settler colonial studies. Prior to coming to Renison in 2018, Chris served as Assistant Professor in Algoma University’s Department of Community Development and Social Work, in a program that combines anti-oppressive and Anishinaabe perspectives in preparing students to work in remote, northern, and Indigenous communities. She has a doctorate in Social Work from Wilfrid Laurier University, a Master of Arts in Social Justice Education from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education/University of Toronto, and gained her undergraduate degree in Psychology at the University of Waterloo, with a minor in Peace and Conflict Studies at Conrad Grebel College. A white settler scholar and educator, Chris is grateful to live with her family on Attawadaron, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabe territories, in Guelph, Ontario.
Materials and Resources

Textbooks

Required


An e-text option for your text is available through the UW Vitalsource e-store: [Canadian Social Policy for Social Workers](#).

Recommended


For textbook ordering information, please contact the [W Store | Course Materials + Supplies](#).

For your convenience, you can compile a list of required and optional course materials through [BookLook](#) using your Quest userID and password. If you are having difficulties ordering online and wish to call the Waterloo Bookstore, their phone number is +1 519-888-4673 or toll-free at +1 866-330-7933. Please be aware that textbook orders CANNOT be taken over the phone.

Course Reserves

Course Reserves can be accessed using the [Library Resources](#) widget on the [Course Home](#) page.

Resources

- Library services for [Co-op students on work term and students taking online courses](#)
Grade Breakdown

There are two types of activity in this course:

- **Tasks** are learning activities that help you become familiar with the course material;
- **Assignments** are more involved learning activities that show you are able to work with the course material.

The [Course Policies](#) page has information about the Extension Policy for Assignments.

The following table represents the grade breakdown of this course.

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<td>Task: Syllabus Checkpoint</td>
<td>3% reduction of final grade if not passed (70% minimum score) within three weeks of term start.</td>
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<td>Assignment: Module Reviews (for Modules 5-10)</td>
<td>20% (best 4 out of 6)</td>
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<td>Task: Module Discussions</td>
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<td>- Module 4 Discussion (5%)</td>
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<td>- Best 4 Module Discussions out of final 6 (for Modules 5-10) (2.5% each)</td>
<td>25%</td>
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Assignment: Policy Debate

1. Policy Debate Checkpoint: Proposal*
2. Policy Debate Presentation (team submission)
3. Policy Debate Peer Assessment (individual submission)

1. 20%
   *3% reduction of Policy Debate grade if “Policy Debate Checkpoint: Proposal” is not completed by the due date listed in the [Course Schedule](#) |

Task: Policy Debate Discussion | 5%
MyModule: Completed Project

1. MyModule Checkpoint: Proposal**
2. MyModule Completed Project

**3% reduction of MyModule Project grade if “MyModule Checkpoint: Proposal” is not completed by the due date listed in the [Course Schedule](#) |

Official Grades

Official Grades and Academic Standings are available through [Quest](#).
Course Policies

Deadlines and Extensions Policy

All submissions are due at **11:55 PM Waterloo time** (Eastern) on the day of the deadline.

As described on the [Grade Breakdown](#) page, the work in the course is divided into two groups, Tasks and Assignments. Assignments, unlike Tasks, are subject to an Extension Policy.

Extension Policy for Assignments*

Sometimes life gets in the way of your studies. Perhaps you've been ill, someone in your family has died, you've had a lot of work in other classes, someone has broken your heart. Whatever the reason, you can always take advantage of the Extension Policy.

Here's how it works:

- An Extension is automatic; there is no need to request one.
- With an Extension, your Assignment is due one week after the regular Deadline.
- Students receiving an Extension will receive their work back within 10 days of submitting their Assignment.

**No extensions for Assignments are granted beyond one week, and no extensions are granted for Tasks.**

*Please note:* The extended deadline policy does NOT apply to these assignments:

- **Policy Debate Checkpoint: Proposal:** This is a task, so not subject to the policy.
- **MyModule Checkpoint: Proposal:** Again, a task, so the policy does not apply.
- **Policy Debate:** Your presentation materials must be submitted by the deadline listed in the [Course Schedule](#) so your colleagues can participate in the Policy Debate Discussion; therefore, the extended deadline policy does not apply.
- **Module 10 Review:** Due to grade posting requirements, the extended deadline policy does not apply.
University Policies

Submission Times

Please be aware that the University of Waterloo is located in the Eastern Time Zone (GMT or UTC-5 during standard time and UTC-4 during daylight saving time) and, as such, the time that your activities and/or assignments are due is based on this zone. If you are outside the Eastern Time Zone and require assistance with converting your time, please try the Ontario, Canada Time Converter.

Accommodation Due to Illness

If your instructor has provided specific procedures for you to follow if you miss assignment due dates, term tests, or a final examination, adhere to those instructions. Otherwise:

Missed Assignments/Tests/Quizzes

Contact the instructor as soon as you realize there will be a problem, and preferably within 48 hours, but no more than 72 hours, have a medical practitioner complete a Verification of Illness Form.

Email a scanned copy of the Verification of Illness Form to your instructor. In your email to the instructor, provide your name, student ID number, and exactly what course activity you missed.

Further information regarding Management of Requests for Accommodation Due to Illness can be found on the Accommodation due to illness page.

Missed Final Examinations

Your faculty determines academic accommodation; therefore we advise you to speak with your professor if you anticipate being unable to fulfill academic requirements due to illness or other extenuating circumstances.

Further information about Examination Accommodations is available in the Undergraduate Calendar.

Academic Integrity

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In order to maintain a culture of academic integrity, members of the University of Waterloo community are expected to promote honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. If you have not already completed the online tutorial regarding academic integrity you should do so as soon as possible. Undergraduate students should see the Academic Integrity Tutorial and graduate students should see the Graduate Students and Academic Integrity website.

Proper citations are part of academic integrity. Citations in CEL course materials usually follow CEL style, which is based on APA style. Your course may follow a different style. If you are uncertain which style to use for an assignment, please confirm with your instructor or TA.

For further information on academic integrity, please visit the Office of Academic Integrity.

**Turnitin**

**Turnitin.com:** Text matching software (Turnitin®) may be used to screen assignments in this course. Turnitin® is used to verify that all materials and sources in assignments are documented. Students’ submissions are stored on a U.S. server, therefore students must be given an alternative (e.g., scaffolded assignment or annotated bibliography), if they are concerned about their privacy and/or security. Students will be given due notice, in the first week of the term and/or at the time assignment details are provided, about arrangements and alternatives for the use of Turnitin® in this course.

It is the responsibility of the student to notify the instructor if they, in the first week of term or at the time assignment details are provided, wish to submit the alternate assignment.

[Turnitin® at Waterloo](#)

**Discipline**

A student is expected to know what constitutes academic integrity to avoid committing an academic offence, and to take responsibility for his/her actions. A student who is unsure whether an action constitutes an offence, or who needs help in learning how to avoid offences (e.g., plagiarism, cheating) or about “rules” for group work/collaboration, should seek guidance from the course instructor, academic advisor, or the undergraduate Associate Dean. For information on categories of offences and types of penalties, students should refer to Policy 71 - Student Discipline. For typical penalties, check Guidelines for the Assessment of Penalties.

**Appeals**

A decision made or penalty imposed under Policy 70 - Student Petitions and Grievances, (other than a petition) or Policy 71 - Student Discipline, may be appealed if there is a ground. A student who believes he/she has a ground for an appeal should refer to Policy 72 - Student Appeals.
Grievance

A student who believes that a decision affecting some aspect of his/her university life has been unfair or unreasonable may have grounds for initiating a grievance. Read Policy 70 - Student Petitions and Grievances, Section 4. When in doubt please be certain to contact the department’s administrative assistant who will provide further assistance.

Final Grades

In accordance with Policy 46 - Information Management, Appendix A - Access to and Release of Student Information, the Centre for Extended Learning does not release final examination grades or final course grades to students. Students must go to Quest to see all final grades. Any grades posted in Waterloo LEARN are unofficial.

AccessAbility Services

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