LEARNING GOALS AND OUTCOMES FOR
SOWK 3371 - Social Welfare Policy

*EPAS Competency notations refers to specific outcome and practice behavior as specified by
the Social Work Program accrediting body-Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) in the
Education Policy and Accreditation Standards (EPAS).

Objective #1: Students learn social welfare policy and how it impacts client needs and services
(EPAS 1a, 2)

Learning Outcome: Students will be able to identify social welfare policy and how it impacts
clients needs and services

Assignments that demonstrate accomplishment of this outcome:

1. Tests
2. Written assignments
3. Group Presentation

Objective #2: Students will learn to use critical thinking skills in the process of policy evaluation
and development (EPAS 3, 4ab)

Learning outcome: Students will demonstrate the ability to Apply critical thinking skills
throughout the process of policy evaluation and development.

Assignments that demonstrate accomplishment of this outcome:

1. Tests
2. Written assignments
3. Group Presentation

Objective #3: Students will learn how to advocate for social and economic justice for diverse
client populations (EPAS 4, 5, 8)

Learning outcome: Students will demonstrate the understanding of how to advocate for social
and economic justice for diverse client populations.

Assignments that demonstrate accomplishment of this outcome:

1. Tests
2. Written assignments
3. Group Presentation

Objective #4: Students will learn to apply research to inform policy development and evaluation
(EPAS 6)
**Learning Outcome:** Students will demonstrate the ability to apply research to inform policy development and evaluation (EPAS 6)

Assignments that demonstrate accomplishment of this outcome:

1. Tests
2. Written assignments
3. Group Presentation

**Objective #5:** Students will learn to understand the history of policy development in the United States of America and be able to compare it in international contexts (EPAS 4, 9a)

**Learning Outcome:** Students will demonstrate their understanding of the history of policy development in the USA and its comparison to international contexts.

Assignments that demonstrate accomplishment of this outcome:

1. Tests
2. Written assignments
3. Group Presentation