

SOCIAL WELFARE TRAINING CENTRE

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– Tutor/Coordinator

WORK OF THE CENTRE



The Centre continued to offer continuing education programmes for social and youth workers. SWTC in collaboration with the Department of Sociology, Psychology & Social Work coordinated the publication of the fourth volume of the Caribbean Journal of Social Work. SWTC maintained its valuable contribution to the development of the social work profession and the discipline of social work in the Caribbean. The Centre played a major role in programme preparation and conference organisation for the Association of Caribbean Social Work Educators (ACSWE) 7th Biennial Conference held at Mona in 2005. Tutor/Coordinator, Lincoln Williams continued to play an active role on the Board of the International Association of the Schools of Social Work (IASSW). Mr. Williams represented the Vice Chancellor at the Fourth Meeting of the Regional Committee of Directors of Youth Affairs held in Barbados in January 2005.

An allocation of J\$1M has been approved by UGC for repairs to the Centre's roof; this should make a substantial difference to the infrastructure of the Centre. The Tutor/Coordinator is still the only academic staff member at the Centre.

Continuing Education

There were 55 students registered for the CSS. However, only four students were from outside Jamaica. The Centre will intensify its efforts to market the programme to the wider region. There was an 80% pass rate in this programme.

The Class of 2005 of the Regional Four Month Course in the Principles and Practice of Social Work had a cohort of 54 students from four Caribbean countries: Antigua, Jamaica, St. Kitts & Nevis and St. Vincent and the Grenadines. All 54 students successfully completed the course.

The second offer of the Diploma in Youth in Development Work began in June 2004 and seven modules have been successfully delivered. There are currently 148 students in eleven participating countries of the English speaking Caribbean. The Diploma is offered with support from the Commonwealth Youth Programme (CYP) Regional Centre in Guyana.

Public Education & Outreach

SWTC co-hosted the 7th Biennial Caribbean and International Social Work Educators' Conference at Mona, August 8-11, 2005. There were 250 participants from the Caribbean and North America. The conference provided a forum in which Social Work Educators and Practitioners reflect on theories and practices pertinent to social work in the Caribbean.

Institutional Cooperation

The Centre worked extremely closely with the Department of Sociology, Psychology & Social Work

in the delivery of programmes and in mounting seminars on social work issues.

Main Targets 2005-2006

Submit the ASc in Youth Work to the Board for Undergraduate Studies for approval

Deliver the Regional Four Month course in Cayman

Publish Volume 5 of the *Caribbean Journal of Social Work*

PAPERS PRESENTED

Williams, Lincoln

- . • “How effective is the Jamaican Youth Service?”, 5th International Conference on Adolescent Health and Welfare, Jamaica, August 18 -20, 2004
- . • “Youth Unemployment in Addis Ababa and urban Jamaica: a comparison”, International Association of Schools of Social Work Seminar, Ethiopia, January 16 -23, 2005

Publications

Books & Monographs

- * Williams, L.O. (Editor in Chief) *The Caribbean Journal of Social Work*, University of the West Indies, Mona, Kingston 7, Vol. 4, July, 2005.

Refereed Journal Articles

- * L.O. Williams and V. Sewpaul. “Modernism, Post Modernism and Global Standards in Social Work Education”. *The International Journal: Social Work Education*, Vol. 23, No. 5, (2004): 555 -565.

Income Generation

The Centre generates approximately 60% of its operating budget through fee paying programmes and other activities. The CYP provides funding to support the offer of the Diploma in Youth in Development Work.

Public Service

Lincoln Williams

- .- Member, Youth Policy Steering Committee, National Youth Development Centre/National Youth Service
- .- Member, Executive Board, International Association of Schools of Social Work

Public Education & Outreach

In May, the TUEI, in collaboration with the Jamaica Confederation of Trade Unions (JCTU) Women's Committee conducted a 2-day seminar for young trade unionists within the national Trade Union Movement. Workshop Facilitators were drawn from students pursuing the Certificate in Labour Studies.

The President of the Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL) invited Ms Phillips to plan, organise and