

**SHEFFIELD HALLAM UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY OF DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIETY**

**APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCE PROGRAMME**

**LEVEL 4**

**MODULE: SOCIAL SCIENCE FOUNDATIONS  
(Component 2 of a 2 Component Assessment - weighting 50%)**

**SEMESTER TWO ASSESSMENT 2005/2006: Academic Development Webfolio**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. For this assignment we would like you to use your PebblePAD ePortfolio to construct a **webfolio** relating to your academic progress during 2006/7.
  2. The word limit for this webfolio is 2,000 words. In addition, however, we also expect hypertext links within the webfolio to 'evidence' the claims you make; this evidence will not be included in the word count.
  3. All submitted work **must** be word processed and adhere to the following guidelines:
    - All typed work must be in Arial 11 or Times New Roman font size 12.
    - State the number of words used at the end of the assignment.
    - Assignments more than 10% in excess of the word limit will be penalised.
  4. Assignments to be submitted electronically by **Tuesday 1 May, 2007**.
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**Webfolio Page 1: Analysis of Progress** (Maximum length: 500 words)

Reflect on your progress this year and, drawing upon the various types of feedback you have received from tutors and peers, and upon your own reflections, produce an analysis of your academic strengths and weaknesses. You are expected to include in your analysis:

- a focus on specific skill sets and an awareness of the skills which are important in your chosen degree route.
- evidence from your ePortfolio to substantiate the claims you are making about your academic skills and weaknesses.
- links to specific pieces of work which highlight your progress. These could be in any format (eg. PowerPoint presentations, reports, essays, group tasks etc). These linked pieces of evidence will not be counted in the word limit.

**Webfolio Page 2: Development Strategy** (Maximum length: 750 words)

- a) Identify a module which you found the most difficult and in which you would like to improve your success. Provide links to evidence from your ePortfolio to justify your choice (eg feedback or journal entries).

- b) Present an analysis of the reasons why this particular module has been problematic for you. (For example, consider why you might lack motivation or interest or why you might find the module challenging or difficult.)
- c) Devise and outline a strategy for improving your performance by:
- Locating and analysing the module learning outcomes and the skills needed to complete this module successfully.
  - Identifying the skills you have achieved so far and those you need to develop.
  - Considering the choice of assignment tasks for the module.
  - Analysing your chosen assignment task and considering the skills required to obtain a successful outcome.
  - Identifying the ways in which you might improve your approach to this assignment and the activities you could undertake that would enhance your success.

**Webfolio Page 3: Evaluation of Development Strategy** (Maximum length: 750 words)

When you have worked through your development strategy (outlined on Webfolio Page 2 above) we would like you to think about how successful it has been:

- a) Present an evaluation of the progress you have made, and areas which need further work, after following your development strategy. Include in your account links to evidence of what you are claiming.
- b) Give an appraisal of your ePortfolio and of the ways in which you have made use of it during the semester. What are the most and least useful aspects of the ePortfolio, in your view, and how could you develop your e-portfolio in the future?