

## **Gratia Christian College**

### **Qualification Recognition Review of Bachelor of Social Work (Honours)**

#### THE FINAL REPORT BY THE ASSESSMENT TEAM

##### Executive Summary

The Assessment Team appointed by the Social Workers Registration Board (the Board) reviewed documentation and conducted site visit to the Gratia Christian College on 25th – 26th November 2021 for qualification recognition review of the Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) (BSW) in full-time Year 1 Entry mode, full-time Year 3 Entry mode and part-time Conversion mode.

##### Assessment Team's Recommendations

1. Assessment Team is of the view that the BSW qualification has met the basic requirements laid down in the Principles, Criteria and Standards for Recognizing Qualifications in Social Work for Registration of Registered Social Workers (7th & 8th edition); and recommends that the Board continue to recognize BSW qualification awarded by Gratia Christian College, thereby qualifying its holders for registration as Registered Social Workers, for a period of four years from 2022/23 to 2025/26.
2. Approval is also recommended for (a) launching a new part-time Conversion mode with a reduced annual maximum intake at 45; (b) reducing full-time Year 1 Entry annual maximum intake from 40 to 30; and (c) increasing full-time Year 3 Entry annual maximum intake from 35 to 45.
3. Conditions
  - (a) To reduce the annual maximum intake of the part-time Conversion mode from 60 to 45 starting from admission year 2022/23.
  - (b) To require Year 3 Entry mode students to have achieved a certain minimum graduation GPA score (e.g. GPA 2.7) in their recognized social work diploma qualification starting from admission year 2022/23.

#### THE FINAL DECISION OF THE BOARD

The Board has resolved to accept the recommendations of the Assessment Team to recognise the qualification for a period of four years from 2022/23 to 2025/26, with one additional condition as follows:

The College is required to submit Annual Progress Reports on the Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) for AY 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25 to address the following two aspects:

- (1) the solution to address the insufficient campus space and facilities, including a specific improvement plan and a reasonable timetable; and
- (2) the fieldwork opportunities and arrangements.