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“The relation between Social Work  
professional practice and supporting youth  
attitudes towards Occupations”

Applied study on city youth center “A” Fayoum Governorate

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the professional Social Work Practice  
and Supporting Youth Attitudes towards craft work**

**SUMMARY**

**I- Problem of the Study:**

Youth is of great importance all over the world countries. This importance increases in the developing countries. These countries seek to design different policies which aim at the investment of youth efforts in favour of development.

Thus, the country is coming to be more interested in youth positions, needs, and problems; since youth is suffering many problems which may represent obstacles which hinder youth roles in the society especially in the field of development. One of the most of these problems is the problem of unemployment which became a threat to the society's stability and security. Youth represents in our society a human source which is richer than the material sources. So, society depends on youth to perform and carry out various development processes. the country do its best to help youth to overcome this problem through providing alternatives by which youth can be integrated into the society and to relief the problem of unemployed youth.

Craft works are considered one of those available alternatives which can absorb big numbers of youth, by which various youth needs can be satisfied, and to limit their unemployment and to face most subsequent problems.

Society attempts to establish many cities and new communities to get out of the narrow valley in order to limit population density in many cities, subsequently many other types of works and horizons can be found and opened. These new communities are in a very need of youth help to make benefit of youth energies and capabilities to build them. Therefore the society became in an urgent need to these works.

The professional social work practice using the group work as a method of social work profession can help to redirect youth negative attitudes towards craft works and to work hard on developing and supporting the positive attitudes toward these works.

A group social worker can help youth - through group life - to acquire many facts and knowledge related to the craft works, which may lead to develop their awareness of the importance of these workshop; and to learn many experiences and skills which are required by these works through the collective or group experiences which use their abilities and energy in an integrated way that aims at supporting the positive attitudes towards these works.

Thus the problem of the current study can be stated in the following questions: *"To what extent can the profession a social work practice using*

*group work method contribute in supporting youth attitudes towards craft work?"*.

## **2- Goals of the study:**

The study aims at the support of youth attitudes towards craft works.

From this main goal, many other sub-goals can be stemmed:

- 1- to develop the youth cognitive aspect related to the craft works.
- 1- to support the youth emotional aspect related to the craft works.
- 1- to support the youth behavioral aspect related to the craft works.

## **3- The Study Hypotheses:**

This study is based on the main hypothesis, namely:

[There is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and supporting youth attitudes towards craft works.]

***From this hypothesis many sub-hypotheses can be concluded:***

- 1- There is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and developing youth cognitive aspect related to craft works.
- 2- There is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and supporting youth emotional aspect related to craft works.
- 3- There is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and supporting youth behavioral aspect related to craft works.

#### **4- Methodology:**

**Type of the study:** semi-experimental.

**Method:** the experimental method.

**Tools of the study:**

- a scale for measuring youth attitudes towards craft words.
- content analysis for the periodic reports.
- regular meetings.
- group discussions.
- role play.
- individual meeting.
- participant observation.

#### **5- Scopes of the Study:**

**place:** The city youth club "A" (Fayoum stadium).

**human scope:** a purposive regular sample from members of the youth club. Its size is (30) member. they represent an age stage ranging from 22-32 years. The sample was divided into two groups; one of them is the experimental group, and the other is control group. The size of each group is (15) member. This division was according to the following variables: [age - sex (gender) - qualification - place of residence - family income).

**Time scope:** is the period in which the experiment was conducted. It was from February 2nd, 1998 to August 13th, 1998.

## 6- Results of the study:

*The study confirmed the following results:*

"the verification of the main hypothesis that "there is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and supporting youth attitudes towards craft works".

*Also, the sub-hypotheses was proved to be true; that*

- 1- There is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and developing youth **cognitive aspect** related to craft works.
- 2- There is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and supporting youth **emotional aspect** related to craft works.
- 3- There is a statistically significant positive relationship between the professional social work practice using the group work method and supporting youth **behavioral aspect** related to craft works.