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General Syllabus

SOWK 4913 Field Instruction II (Seminar)

Credit Hours: 3 Lecture Hours: 3 Laboratory: 0

Prerequisite: SOWK 4903 Field Instruction I, SOWK 4914 Social Work

Practicum I

Prerequisite or corequisite: SOWK 3853 Social Work Values and Ethics Corequisite: SOWK 4924 Social Work Practicum II.

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

Advanced discussion and integration of experiences from SOWK 4924

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Analyze complex ethical dilemmas that occur in practice and apply models of ethical-decision-making to determine professional behavior in practice.
- 2. Make practice decisions which synthesize multiple aspects of client situations including theoretical knowledge, existing empirical research, community context, and the ethical base of the profession.
- 3. Synthesize knowledge of bio-psycho-social variables that affect individual development and behavior, and utilize theoretical frameworks to understand the interactions among individuals and between individuals and their environments and make practice decisions based upon that knowledge.
- 4. Synthesize knowledge and practice skills from all previous and concurrent courses to provide evidence of competence for generalist social work practice.
- 5. Demonstrate an understanding of the Workers Code of Ethics. http://www.socialworkers.org/pubs/CODE/Default.asp.

B. University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Analytical Skills

Critical Thinking

Students will apply essential self-evaluation skills and use of supervision pertinent to generalist social work practice. Students will participate in class discussion regarding generalist social work practice and weekly supervision meetings that address the nine competencies as set forth by the Council on Social Work Education.

Communication Skills (written and oral)

Students will prepare papers and oral presentations concerning their practice competencies.

Ethical Decision Making

Students will identify and process ethical dilemmas related to their own practice experiences in their assigned field practicum settings, guided by the NASW Code of Ethics.

Global and Cultural Perspectives

Students will appraise their own cultural diversity and differences, in contrast with those served in their unique agencies.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. Case Management
- B. Clinical Social Work
- C. National Association of Social Workers Code of Ethics
- D. Diversity in Social Work Practice
- E. Families and Communities
- F. Unique populations
- G. Topics relevant to Americans with disabilities