

GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Social Work (M.S.W.) (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/school-social-work/programs/social-work-msw/>)
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- Social Work and Gerontology (Ph.D. Dual-Title) (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/school-social-work/programs/social-work-gerontology-phd/>)
- Social Work and Infant Mental Health (M.S.W. or Ph.D. Dual-Title) (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/school-social-work/programs/social-work-infant-mental-health/>)
- Social Work and Public Health (M.S.W./M.PH Joint Degree) (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/school-social-work/programs/social-work-public-health-msw-mp/>)

SW 5720 Social Services for Older Adults Cr. 3

Identification, description and analysis of the problems associated with aging; development of social work services to address these needs. Offered Fall, Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 5755 Introduction to Child Welfare Cr. 3

Introduction and overview of child welfare services and practice with focus on a wide range of Issues related to children and youth in care and those in need of protection from abusive and/or neglectful caretakers and environments. Offered Fall, Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6010 Equitable Partnerships with Families and Communities Cr. 3

Theory and research-based strategies that support equitable collaboration between professionals and families to best meet the needs of children. Explores family and community contexts as assets for learning. Emphasis on culturally and linguistically responsive approaches to learn about and leverage family strengths and priorities, as well as communication strategies for making shared decisions with families. Offered Fall.

Equivalent: ELE 6010, PSY 6010

SW 6015 Crisis, Disaster and Trauma with a Focus on Adults Cr. 1

Examination of cross-discipline perspectives providing trauma-informed crisis response services to children and families in the aftermath of a disaster across micro, mezzo, and macro levels. Development and application of skills for conducting screening and assessments, as well as short-term interventions and crisis counseling services with disaster-impacted children and families within an ecological and cultural context. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6020 Trauma-Informed Crisis Response for Disasters: Focus on Children and Families Cr. 1

Examination of cross-discipline perspectives providing trauma-informed crisis response services to children and families in the aftermath of a disaster across micro, mezzo, and macro levels. Development and application of skills for conducting screening and assessments, as well as short-term interventions and crisis counseling services with disaster-impacted children and families within an ecological and cultural context. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6100 Child Welfare and Social Systems: Context for Case Management Practice Cr. 3

This course provides a knowledge base for Child Welfare practice within the context of mental health, education, juvenile justice and other social systems with a significant focus on the social problems of domestic violence and substance abuse. Core case management intervention skill sets utilized for effective child welfare practice will be taught. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6500 Social Work and the Law Cr. 2

Study of the relationship between law and social work practice. Emphasis on understanding the legal processes, the relationship and interdependence of law and social work practice and the knowledge and skill needed to help integrate law into social work practice. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6535 Youth, Delinquency, and Juvenile Justice Cr. 3

Provides an in depth understanding of the causes and implications of youth involved in the juvenile justice arena, focusing on assessments and social work interventions in a transcultural, multisystem context. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6540 Effects of Drugs and Alcohol on Physical and Social Functioning Cr. 3

Types of substances most frequently abused, their effects on physiological, psychological, social and physical functioning, and patterns of use among different age groups and populations. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6551 Behavioral Health and the Criminal/Legal System Cr. 3

This course is aimed at students who seek competence in forensic behavioral health, particularly within the context of social work practice, policy, and services. The class will build upon the recent neuroscience of criminality, violence, child maltreatment, partner violence, addiction, and related mental disorders. Additionally, relevant theories will be applied to provide a socio-cultural context for understanding the judicial system. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6555 Social Justice and Health: Implications for Social Work Cr. 3

This course provides students with the knowledge and skills to assess social determinants of health as upstream factors that impact the lives of vulnerable populations and communities. The course will contextualize “health justice” by focusing on the right to health, health services and health insurance; the social factors that affect individual and community health; economic inequality; and the criminalization of social need. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6575 Violence Prevention and Intervention Cr. 3

Addresses the ways that social work intervenes to prevent violent perpetration and reduce the harm associated with victimization by interpersonal violence such as youth violence, stalking, sexual violence, gun violence, relationship violence, bullying, and self-directed violence. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6585 Introduction to International Social Work Cr. 3

Introduction to global social work practice and international social welfare systems including discussion of global topics such as international adoption, immigrant populations, and human trafficking. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6620 Understanding Suicide Cr. 3

In this course we will explore the enigma of suicide, covering its many biopsychosocial dimensions including the historical, literary, neurobiological, psychological, social work, sociological, cultural, public health, and personal/subjective. Ecological and systems perspectives will be included. The course will explore an understanding of intervention strategies from different perspectives. Suicide has been studied from each of the above perspectives, and while there is agreement that it is a “multidimensional malaise,” bringing these dimensions together has been extremely challenging. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6700 Disabilities in Urban Society: Special Topics Cr. 3

Topics central to understanding living with intellectual, developmental and or neurodevelopmental disabilities across the life span in an urban society. Implications for persons with disabilities, their families and advocates, and their service providers. Offered for graduate credit only. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6735 Environmental & Climate Justice: Past, Present, Future For Social Workers Cr. 1

This course explores sustainable climate solutions centered on equity and justice, emphasizing the leadership of impacted communities. Students will examine the disproportionate effects of climate change on communities and the systemic factors driving these disparities. They will develop skills in advocating for community-led policies, applying intersectional frameworks, and understanding social workers' roles in climate justice. Using texts like *Revolutionary Power* by Shalanda H. Baker, students will learn to design inclusive projects, assess the psychological impacts of climate change, and build partnerships to advance climate action. The course empowers students to reflect on their growth and envision their role in climate advocacy and justice within social work. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6740 Seminar in Disability Studies: Directed Study Cr. 3

Integration of theoretical and practical knowledge acquired in Graduate Certificate in Disabilities program within context of the discipline and area of interest of the student. Offered for graduate credit only. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor; enrollment limited to students in the GC in Disabilities program.

SW 6750 Practicum in Disabilities: Research Topics Cr. 4

Supervision and direction of students as they apply their knowledge and skills in an interdisciplinary, service-oriented department. Work with professionals from other disciplines and consumers of disability-related services; development of leadership and teamwork skills. Offered for graduate credit only. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor; enrollment limited to students in the GC in Disabilities program.

SW 6810 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) Health and Well-Being Cr. 1

Applies concepts from multiple frameworks to understand the health inequities of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) individuals. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6815 Mind-Body-Spirit Approaches and Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Explores the historical and cultural roots of mind-body-spirit approaches – often called complementary and alternative medicine, or integrative approaches – in contrast to the philosophical foundation of the western medical model; considers contemporary use and reviews multiple specific approaches; and presents research about their use and effectiveness. Considers application in micro, mezzo and macro social work practice. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6883 Social Work Practice with Very Young Children and Families Cr. 1

The relationship between theory, assessment and practice in the field of infant mental health. Course covers interventions for use with infants, toddlers and families, as well as the identification of appropriate interventions based upon the infant and family's needs, cultural histories and capacities. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 6991 Special Topics in Social Work Cr. 1-4

Topics of current interest to be announced in Schedule of Classes. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Applicant Masters, Candidate Masters, Unranked Grad, Graduate Certificate, Senior or Post Bachelor.

SW 7025 Infant Mental Health: Theory to Practice across Early Childhood Settings Cr. 2

Theories and research-based information on infant mental health practices applied to various early childhood settings. Emphasis on interdisciplinary, relationship-based interventions aimed to promote development and learning in infants and young children. Offered Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7040 Methods of Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Basic theories and principles of practice including a strengths perspective with diverse individuals and families. Emphasis on basic values, roles, skills of generalist social work practice; and on ecological systems perspective and practice principles with at-risk and oppressed populations. Skills of empowerment to achieve individual and collective social and economic justice. Offered Fall.

Prerequisites: SW 7998 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Corequisite: SW 7998

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7055 Social Work Practice with Groups Cr. 3

Ecological systems perspective used to critically assess influence of mezzo systems on human behavior and their consistency with social values and ethics. Use of strengths perspective with diverse groups within generalist practice. Group types, process, dynamics, leadership. Planning of groups, interventions, social and economic justice. Offered Winter, Spring/Summer.

Prerequisites: SW 7998 (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7065 Generalist Macro Theory and Practice Cr. 3

Ecological systems perspective used to critically assess influence of macro system on human behavior and their consistency with social values and ethics. Generalist practice and strengths perspective. Practice with diverse communities and organizations, particularly at-risk populations. Needs assessment skills; promotion of macro change and social and economic justice in an urban context. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 7040 with a minimum grade of C and SW 7998 with a minimum grade of M (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7085 Social Work Leadership Strategies Cr. 3

Leadership theories, applications and skill development. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7095 Social Entrepreneurship Cr. 3

Social entrepreneurs are change agents who challenge the status quo by using social enterprise and social innovation to address protracted social problems. This course is designed for students who want to explore social enterprise start-ups, as well as those students who are just curious about the field and want to learn more about entrepreneurship and explore career opportunities. Students will learn the requisite knowledge and skills to develop their own business feasibility plan that explores starting a new social venture, nonprofit or commercial enterprise. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7115 Special Topics: Interprofessional Education Cr. 2

This interprofessional course is for health professional student learners in the areas of advanced practice. The course allows health professional students to learn about, from and with each other, how each discipline contributes to the healthcare team, the importance of effective communication, the role of team collaboration and preparing health care professionals for collaborative practice with a focus on clinical decision making in interdisciplinary teams. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Medical or Professional level students.

Equivalent: MD4 8115, NUR 7115, PAS 7115, PPR 7115

SW 7140 Biomedical Components of Substance Use and Addiction Cr. 3

An examination of the bio-psychosocial aspects of substance use, addiction and recovery. Provides a broad scientific perspective on different classes of drugs and misused substances. Focuses on understanding brain anatomy and mechanisms of action in the brain, genetic factors related to substance use and addiction, physiological effects of alcohol and drug misuse, and pharmacological interventions for recovery. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7150 Health Disparities and Substance Use Cr. 3

An introduction to health disparity frameworks and an overview of the unique problems and needs of diverse populations who misuse alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Focuses on the application of culturally sensitive intervention and prevention strategies. Offered Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7160 DSM in Clinical Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Reviews the classification, epidemiology, etiology and course of a range of mental and behavioral disorders across the life span. Emphasizes the critical analysis of existing and emerging theory and provides guidelines for the critical application and limitations of the DSM diagnostic assessment and classification system of mental and behavioral disorders in clinical social work practice. Offered Winter, Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7560 Lifespan Development in the Social Context Cr. 3

An examination of theories of human development and behavior and development across the lifespan through the lens of an ecological systems perspective within the context of how social systems including families, peer groups, organizations, communities and culture promote and deter human development. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7680 Human Rights, Social Justice, and Diversity in an Urban Context Cr. 3

Introduces concepts of human rights and social justice as foundational to social work practice. Offers historical and contemporary perspective of the social work profession and its role in promoting human rights and social, economic, and environmental justice. Examines theory and perspectives on the dynamics of oppression, conflict, and social change from a social work perspective. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7700 Trauma-Informed Child Welfare Practice Cr. 3

Introduces students to the core concepts informing evidence-based assessment and intervention for traumatized children and adolescents who are in the child welfare system. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7720 Social Policy and Advocacy Cr. 3

Historical development of social welfare viewed dynamically as a function of social, economic, political and cultural transitions. Evolution of professional social work. Framework of analysis for social welfare policies, programs and agencies. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7770 Palliative Care and Elder Law Cr. 3

Overview of palliative and hospice care, fundamentals of advanced care planning, and local and national laws and policies that concern older adults and their families. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7820 Evidence for Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Examination of the basic concepts and methods of scientific inquiry used to build knowledge and evaluate the impact of social work policy and practice. Use of practice knowledge to inform social work research and the use of research findings to inform social work practice is a primary focus of the course. Offered Fall, Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7840 Community and Organizational Measures Cr. 3

Knowledge and skills for practice informed research to assess communities and organizations and how measures are used in evaluation. Students will learn basic data analytics and visualization using R. Offered Winter, Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7850 Evaluation Research Cr. 3

History, conceptual approaches, techniques, and methods in evaluation of professional practice interventions and social work programs. The focus is on relevant application to current practice environment. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7880 Infant/Family Mental Health Assessment Cr. 2

Using a relationship-based model, assessments of infant and toddler socio-emotional development and parental health is emphasized. Interdisciplinary dialogue about the infant mental health perspective and the impact of culture. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7885 Ethics and Professionalism for Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Graduate seminar on social work as a profession with ethical considerations. Articulation of professional practice issues in such areas as: competencies, standards, ethics, technology, professional organization, social sanction, autonomy, accountability, inter-professional practice, or social action. Offered Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7990 Directed Study Cr. 1-4

Individual direction in reading and research on selected topics. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

SW 7995 Introduction to Gerontology Cr. 3

Required introductory course for Graduate Certificate in Gerontology. Multidisciplinary conceptual framework for study of gerontology. Students develop knowledge and skills needed to understand gerontological theory, research, and practice. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 7998 Practicum Work for Social Workers I Cr. 4-6

Practicum of M.S.W. program integrated with courses in social work method, human behavior and the social environment, social welfare organization and policy, and research. Internship assignments assigned by staff within the Office of Practicum Education, overseen by the Director of Practicum Education. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students; enrollment limited to students in a Master of Social Work degree; enrollment limited to students in the School of Social Work.

Fees: \$35

Repeatable for 12 Credits

SW 7999 Master's Research Essay Direction Cr. 1-3

Two-semester course completed during the Advanced Year of the M.S.W. Program. Essay reflects an original synthesis of an already-published work, demonstrating a thorough understanding and mastery of a sub-area of social work, including the relevance of the problem and adequacy of intervention. Offered Fall, Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently) or SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Candidate Masters; enrollment limited to students in the Master of Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 3 Credits

SW 8015 Intervention/Program Planning and Grant Writing Cr. 3

Strategies and approaches to comprehensive program development within the context of community and organizational practice. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8046 Community Data Analysis, Interpretation, and Presentation Cr. 3

This course will prepare social workers to analysis, interpret, and present information about communities, organizations, neighborhoods, and other social groups using empirically substantiated social science techniques. The course will build upon techniques learned in prior foundation research courses and utilize social justice-oriented, community-driven, data analysis, and presentation methods. Instruction will include the use of advanced statistical procedures from a range of software programs such as R/RStudio and open-source geospatial software. Offered Fall.

Prerequisites: SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8048 Social Action Research and Evaluation Cr. 3

Concepts, practices, and methodological approaches that are central to empowerment and action-oriented research and evaluation. Students are prepared to intervene into communities, institutions, neighborhoods, and other social groups through the use of empirically substantiated social science techniques. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8065 Advanced Systems Theories and Practices Cr. 3

Applied systems approaches to achieve goals, explore planning, ensure fairness and social justice, and promote diversity. Offered Fall.

Prerequisites: SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C and SW 8998 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8075 Theories and Practice of Community Building and Development Cr. 3

Best practice and theories on community development and engagement. Offered Fall.

Prerequisites: (SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C) and SW 8998 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8085 Theories and Practice of Social Policy and Social Action Cr. 3
Theoretical frameworks and best practices to engage in social policy and social action. Offered Fall, Winter.

Prerequisites: (SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C) and SW 8998 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8125 Therapeutic Storytelling with Children Cr. 1

Therapeutic storytelling as a means for expressing and resolving conflicts, disappointments, and anxieties in children. Strategies for assisting children in creating their own story-narratives, focusing on reciprocal, collaborative, and other forms of storytelling. Applications to a variety of childhood disorders and clinical situations. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisites: SW 7055 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the Master of Social Work or PhD in Social Work programs; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8180 Social Services in the Schools Cr. 3

Structure and history of education in relation to social work; implications of current legislation; identification of educational disabilities; programs and services to remediate disabilities and assist students. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8305 Assessment for Interpersonal Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Focus on development of knowledge and skills for interpersonal social work practice. Quantitative and qualitative methods for assessment in multiple contexts with an emphasis on how assessment is a part of evidence-based practice. Offered Fall.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8315 Integrative Theories and Practice Approaches for Interpersonal Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Introduces theories and practice approaches commonly used in interpersonal social work practice with individuals, families, and groups. Students will examine theories of change practice approaches derived from four broad categories: Cognitive-behavioral theories, humanistic theories, psychodynamic/developmental theories, and theories of systems and groups. Offered Fall.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Corequisite: SW 8998

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8325 Cognitive Behavioral Interventions in Social Work Practice Cr. 3
Theoretical knowledge and practice skills for cognitive-behavioral treatment in interpersonal social work practice, focusing on treatment of children, adolescents and adults. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 8315 with a minimum grade of C

Corequisite: SW 8998

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8330 Psychosocial Assessment of Children and Youth Cr. 3

Holistic approach to assessment of children and youth; focus on various aspects of assessment including interpretation of psychological test data; social work administration of behavioral scales; observation; interpretation of drawings; socialized assessment areas such as ADHD and autism. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8335 Client-Centered Interventions in Social Work Practice Cr. 3

An introduction to humanistic psychotherapies and techniques for interpersonal social work practice. Includes experiential, existential, relational, and phenomenological approaches in addition to contemporary approaches. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 8315 with a minimum grade of C

Corequisite: SW 8998

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8345 Psychodynamic Interventions in Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Focuses on essential principles for client engagement, assessment and interventions used in psychodynamic psychotherapy. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 8315 with a minimum grade of C

Corequisite: SW 8998

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8355 Family Interventions in Social Work Practice Cr. 3

This course will focus on the theoretical knowledge and practice skills of family systems treatment with a particular emphasis on treatment delivery to families with multiple psychosocial concerns within the urban context. Through various methods of learning (case examples, role plays, class discussions), students will develop practice skills in family system level interventions including assessment and case conceptualizations, interventions, structural family therapy, strategic family interventions, Cognitive Behavioral intervention at the family system level, trauma and the family, and attachment-based family interventions. The course will examine social work values and ethics as they relate to intervening at the family system level. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 8315 with a minimum grade of C

Corequisite: SW 8998

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8381 Interpersonal Practice with Children and Adolescents Cr. 3

This course will examine key evidence-based interventions for children and adolescent mental health and wellbeing. The course offers a structure to develop essential practice skills, such as engagement, treatment planning, and monitoring and evaluation of client outcomes. Students will learn the role of prevention, treatment, recovery, and long-term support to reduce and alleviate distressing symptoms and enhance health and safety of children and adolescents. The course will focus on best practices for internalizing, externalizing, and neurodevelopmental problems, child vulnerabilities and as well as environmental risk and protective factors, including bullying, child maltreatment, and trauma. Students will also learn how issues of diversity, culture, and social justice may impact the quality of therapeutic relationships. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8550 Social Functioning: Human Sexuality Cr. 2

Human sexuality as it affects individuals in their relationships to others in terms of development, orientation and dysfunction. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8570 Dynamics and Intervention in Family Violence Cr. 3

Examination of child abuse, partner violence, and elder abuse; theories of causality; dynamics and effects on social functioning. Social work practice methods in family violence. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisites: SW 7055 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8580 Impact of Health and Disease on Social Functioning: Implications for Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Study of biological, psychological, social, and environmental factors which influence health; social work interventions for at-risk populations in health care. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisites: SW 7055 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8585 Advanced Interpersonal Practice in Trauma and PTSD Cr. 3

Examination of the major trauma therapy models and theories for advanced interpersonal social work practice across micro, mezzo, and macro levels. Advanced application of theories and intervention models for working with trauma-exposed individuals and those with trauma-related disorders across the life span and within an ecological and cultural context. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8620 Interpersonal Practice with Couples Cr. 2

Application of interpersonal practice theories in couples therapy utilizing behavioral and social science content in relation to marriage and committed relationships, to the functional and dysfunctional aspects of marital and couple relationships, and their effects on the couple and other affected family members. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisites: SW 7055 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8690 Interpersonal Practice in Substance Use Cr. 3

Application of interpersonal practice theories to social work interventions with substance abuse related problems; procedures and strategies for assessment and planning; methods of intervention with individuals, families, and groups; prevention and education. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8710 Ethical Issues in Interpersonal Practice Cr. 2

Graduate seminar on social work as a profession. Articulation of professional practice issues in such areas as: competencies, standards, professional organization, social sanction, ethics, autonomy, accountability, inter-professional practice, social action. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisites: SW 7055 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8770 Advanced Policy Analysis Cr. 3

Students have the opportunity to conduct a policy analysis in an area of interest (e.g., welfare reform, corrections, homelessness, health, domestic violence) and prepare policy documents to communicate analysis findings to key stakeholders and policy makers. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8771 Advanced Policy Analysis in Aging Cr. 3

This course builds on policy practice content presented in the generalist social work curriculum, focusing on policy that affects programs and services for older adults. Students conduct a policy analysis in an area pertinent to older adults (e.g., retirement, community-based services, long-term care, Medicare, elder abuse and neglect, age-friendly communities) and prepare policy documents to communicate analysis findings to key stakeholders and policy makers. Offered Winter, Spring/Summer.

Prerequisites: SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8772 Advanced Policy Analysis in Child and Family Wellbeing Cr. 3

This course builds on the content gained in the generalist social work curriculum related to policy practice. It focuses on policy that affects programs and services for children and families. Students have the opportunity to conduct a policy analysis in an area pertinent to children and families (e.g., child welfare, immigration, poverty, workforce participation for parents, early childhood development, educational access, juvenile justice, school-to-prison pipeline, bullying, etc.) and prepare policy documents to communicate analysis findings to key stakeholders and policy makers. Offered Winter, Spring/Summer.

Prerequisites: SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8773 Advanced Policy Analysis in Mental Health and Substance Use Cr. 3

This course builds on the content gained in the generalist social work curriculum related to policy practice. It focuses on policy that affects programs and services for people with mental health and substance use disorders. Students have the opportunity to conduct a policy analysis in an area pertinent to people with mental health and substance use disorders and prepare policy documents to communicate analysis findings to key stakeholders and policy makers. Offered Winter, Spring/Summer.

Prerequisites: SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8860 Grief and Loss Issues in Social Work Practice Cr. 3

Knowledge and skills needed to provide social work services to individuals, groups and families coping with a range of loss experiences, including those around death, dying and bereavement. Offered Fall, Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8880 Infant Mental Health Practice Cr. 3

Advanced knowledge and skills in theory, assessment and practice in the field of infant mental health with emphasis on evidence-based practices. Offered Winter.

Prerequisite: SW 7025 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7880 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8883 Infant Mental Health Seminar I Cr. 2

Understanding and integration of knowledge and skills developed through courses and field placement experiences focused on infant mental health. Offered Fall.

Prerequisites: SW 8998 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to students with a major in Dual Title Infant Mental Hlth; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students; enrollment limited to students in a Doctor of Philosophy or Master of Social Work degrees; enrollment limited to students in the School of Social Work.

SW 8884 Infant Mental Health Seminar II Cr. 2

Supports Infant Mental Health Dual-Title students in the understanding and integration of knowledge and skills developed through courses and field placement experiences focused on infant mental health. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: SW 8883 with a minimum grade of M and SW 8998 with a minimum grade of M (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8991 Advanced Special Topics in Social Work Cr. 1-4

Topics of current interest for students in advanced year of M.S.W. program, Ph.D. program in social work or doctoral programs in related disciplines. Topics to be announced in Schedule of Classes. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisites: SW 7055 with a minimum grade of C or SW 7070 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 8996 Group Project Research and Direction Cr. 1-4

This two-semester course assists students in developing advanced competency in conducting research aimed at advancing social work practice and/or social welfare policy. Small groups of students (3-4) come together to work on an already existing research project with faculty. Project depends on the faculty. Examples of activities include: literature review, data collection, data analysis, and data presentation. The project must be discussed with faculty before registration. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently) or SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

SW 8998 Practicum Work for Social Workers II Cr. 4-6

The ratio of clock hours to credits is 56.25 to 1. Practicum of M.S.W. program integrated with courses in social work method, human behavior and the social environment, social welfare organization and policy, and research. Internship placements are assigned by staff within the Office of Practicum Education overseen by the Director of Practicum Education Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students; enrollment limited to students in a Master of Social Work degree.

Fees: \$35

Repeatable for 12 Credits

SW 8999 Master's Thesis Research and Direction Cr. 1-6

The master's thesis provides students with the opportunity to conduct a scholarly study and contribute to the knowledge base associated with some aspect of social work theory, practice, or policy. A thesis must be supervised by a faculty member. Students should register for 3 credits in the fall and 3 credits in the winter of their advanced year. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisites: SW 7160 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently) or SW 7840 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Corequisite: SW 8325

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Candidate Masters; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 6 Credits

SW 9000 Directed Study: Doctoral Cr. 1-6

Independent study under guidance of a faculty member. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 6 Credits

SW 9050 Social Work PhD First Year Seminar Cr. 1

The goal of the first year seminar is to assist students in developing the skills and professional socialization to be successful in doctoral education. The seminar will assist students in engaging in events and personal behaviors to support professional growth to enhance productivity, build professional networks, and maintain work-life balance. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program.

SW 9100 Social Statistics and Data Analysis Cr. 3

Application of univariate and bivariate statistics and analysis of variance to analyze data obtained from social work practice settings. Students learn to formulate appropriate research questions and hypotheses before data collection, to use SPSS to conduct analysis, and to interpret analyses and communicate findings to academics and practitioners. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9160 Knowledge Creation and Theory Development for Social Science Research Cr. 3

This doctoral-level seminar is designed to introduce students to philosophies of science that are fundamental to the development of knowledge and theory in social science disciplines. Students will leave this course with an understanding of the conceptual nature of theory and the ways theory can be applied in knowledge development. By the end of this course students will have an understanding of the evolution and history of theory development related to social work and social welfare. The course emphasizes critical thinking and understanding of the theoretical and conceptual frameworks that inform scholarly inquiry. Offered Every Other Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9170 Theories of Problems and Change across the Micro-Macro Continuum Cr. 3

This doctoral-level seminar is designed to introduce students to theories commonly used in social work research that span the micro-macro continuum. Students will leave this course with an understanding of the underlying concepts and assumptions associated with commonly utilized theories and the ways that these theories have been applied to social work research. In this course students will explore the ways that individual theories understand and define problems, the underlying assumptions of specific theories, and the nature of change as defined by each theory. By the end of the semester students will be able to design a multi-level research project to address a social science problem utilizing theories that span the micro-macro continuum. Offered Every Other Winter.

Prerequisite: SW 9160 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9210 Theories for Practice and Research with Individuals Cr. 3

Major theoretical systems currently used in clinical social work practices presently used with individuals, examined from six vantage points: model origin; conceptual framework; view of person-in-environment; philosophy of treatment; model effectiveness; practice controversies. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9220 Theories for Practice and Research with Groups and Families Cr. 3

Theories, models and perspectives guiding social work practice with families. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9230 Theories for Practice and Research with Communities and Organizations Cr. 3

Practice theory at the macro level. Two perspectives: how macro serves as a context of social work practice at levels of policy, community, organization; and theories of practice with macro systems. How a scholar imparts content and undertakes research at these levels. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9240 Social Work Education Cr. 3

Standards, trends and issues of contemporary and future social work education. Critical analysis of articulation among bachelor's, master's, doctoral education. Emphasis on course development, designing effective learning experiences. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program.

SW 9260 Current and Historical Trends in US Social Welfare Policy Cr. 3

Critical analysis in order to understand policy contexts that frame contemporary social work problems and practice. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9300 Applied Regression Analysis and Generalized Linear Models Cr. 3

Classic regression models, generalized linear models, including weighted least-squares, hierarchical linear models, logistic regression. Using SPSS to analyze social work practice data; interpretation of findings; communication of findings to scholars and practitioners. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: SW 9100 with a minimum grade of C

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9400 Qualitative Research Methods in Social Work Cr. 3

Examination of social work practice through case study, action research, and qualitative approaches to knowledge building. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9410 Quantitative Research Methods in Social Work Cr. 3

Understanding and application of knowledge and skills in quantitative research methods aimed at increasing knowledge for social work practice and social welfare policy; clear, researchable questions; use of appropriate theory; selection of design; drawing of sample; and development of appropriate measures and operations within person-in-environment framework. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9420 Research Practicum Cr. 2-3

The goal of the research practicum is to provide students with an applied research opportunity with the mentorship of a Social Work faculty member. The student project that is expected to be the outcome of the practicum should be manuscripts and abstracts appropriate for dissemination to a professional audience. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9430 Dissertation Seminar Cr. 1

Development, presentation and critique of dissertation research questions, in context of social work practice or social welfare policy. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9450 Writing for Publication and Presentation Cr. 1

The goal of the writing seminar is to strengthen healthy and productive writing habits to facilitate the development, presentation and critique of research, in context of social work practice or social welfare policy. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9500 Advanced Clinical Social Work Theory Cr. 3

Broader and deeper mastery of several theories of development, personality, behavior, and psychopathology that have contributed to the knowledge base of social work. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9510 Applied Clinical Social Work Practice I Cr. 3

Structured in part as a didactic seminar and in part as a continuous case conference, this year-long course offers a balanced emphasis on the rational, technical, and ethical aspects of social work treatment and clinical supervision. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9520 Applied Clinical Social Work Practice II Cr. 3

Structured in part as a didactic seminar and in part as a continuous case conference, this year-long course offers a balanced emphasis on the rational, technical, and ethical aspects of social work treatment and clinical supervision. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9550 Advanced Clinical Practicum I Cr. 2

Practicum provides students with an intensive clinical placement experience in which they can further refine their clinical skills. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9560 Advanced Clinical Practicum II Cr. 2

Practicum provides students with an intensive clinical placement experience in which they can further refine their clinical skills. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9650 Preparing for the Job Search Cr. 1

The goal of the job search seminar is to prepare students for the job market. Although much of the class will focus on the academic job market, other options outside academia will be explored. The seminar will assist students in preparing materials and practicing skills to assist in both searching for job opportunities and preparing for conference interviews and job talks. Offered Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9697 Integrative Seminar in Social Work and Anthropology Cr. 3

Graduate-level integrative seminar that explores the intersection between social work and anthropology by critically analyzing relevant ethnographic scholarship. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9990 Pre-Doctoral Candidacy Research Cr. 1-8

Preliminary research relevant to proposed area of dissertation research. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 12 Credits

SW 9991 Doctoral Candidate Status I: Dissertation Research and Direction Cr. 3-9

Dissertation research of a major social work or social welfare issue or problem. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 9 Credits

SW 9992 Doctoral Candidate Status II: Dissertation Research and Direction Cr. 1-18

Dissertation research of a major social work or social welfare issue or problem. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: SW 9991 with a minimum grade of S

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeatable for 18 Credits

SW 9993 Doctoral Candidate Status III: Dissertation Research and Direction Cr. 7.5

Dissertation research of a major social work or social welfare issue or problem. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: SW 9992 with a minimum grade of S

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9994 Doctoral Candidate Status IV: Dissertation Research and Direction Cr. 7.5

Dissertation research of a major social work or social welfare issue or problem. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: SW 9993 with a minimum grade of S

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

SW 9995 Candidate Maintenance Status: Doctoral Dissertation Research and Direction Cr. 0

Continuation of dissertation research. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the PhD in Social Work program; enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Fees: \$434.8

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