Social Work 801: Field and Integrative Seminar IV Section (104): Social Work Practice in Mental Health  
Spring 2019

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Credits: 5 credits
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I. Catalogue Description
An approved advanced generalist seminar and placement linked to areas of focus. Seminar and placement require a minimum of 20 hours/week. The second course (SW801) of the two-semester field sequence.

Attributes and Designations: This course counts toward the 50% graduate coursework requirement.

Requisites: Declared in Master of Social Work Program

How Credit Hour is Met: The credit standard for this course is met by an expectation of a total of 320 hours of student engagement with the courses learning activities (45 hours per credit), which include regularly scheduled instructor: student meeting times (Saturdays for 2.5 hours over 14 weeks), reading, writing, field placement and other student work as described in the syllabus. Students complete and average of 18-20 hours of field work in the community as part of the course requirement.

II. Course Overview and Prerequisites/Co-requisites
This advanced practice social work field unit provides an integrative seminar and supervised practice of clinical social work services, including assessment, diagnosis, treatment including psychotherapy and counseling, client-centered advocacy, consultation and
evaluation. Students are placed in community-based settings where the primary focus is to provide treatment to children, adolescents and adults who experience a wide range of DSM-V-recognized mental health problems.

This is a field course in the Mental Health focus area and prior enrollment in SW 835 (Advanced Practice in Mental Health) is required. Enrollment in SW 712 (Psychopathology) is not required, but strongly encouraged. Major content areas comprising clinical social work practice will include assessment, diagnosis, and treatment including psychotherapy and counseling, client centered advocacy, clinical case management, consultation and evaluation. Special emphasis will be placed on providing students with a foundation for continued development of culturally competent clinical social work practice.

Our focus is direct clinical social work practice that is recovery-oriented and committed to providing culturally appropriate, effective services to clients who have traditionally been under or poorly served due to economic, social and political disenfranchisement. Students will be challenged to consider how to reduce barriers to mental health service delivery that may arise from intersecting oppressions linked to age, race, ethnicity, gender, class, sexual orientation, disability, and other marginalized statuses. Along with the content areas noted above, we will examine and apply values and principles of ethical practice and give particular attention to ethical dilemmas in which important values appear to collide.

Some agencies may require the student pass an agency-initiated background check before having client contact in addition to the mandatory background check required by the School of Social Work.

Advanced generalist year students spend 20-22 hours per week, including the integrative seminar, for a total of 320 hours per semester. For field placement purposes, the semester is considered 15 weeks. The 15 weeks includes exam week; if students prefer not to be in placement this week, or to reduce placement hours this week, may choose to work with their agency supervisor to spend more hours in earlier weeks. Please note the number of seminars is 14 at 2.5 hours for each seminar for a total of 35 hours.

Students are not permitted to end their field placement early, which is the reason a limit is set as to how many hours students may spend in field each week. The key to ensuring students have the most beneficial field experience is the combination of attending the field seminar while being placed in the field, which necessitates that students not finish their placement early. In addition, a commitment is made between the student, the agency supervisor, and the field faculty member to continue the student’s educational experience until May 2019. Field settings require a commitment of two consecutive semesters of placement, due to the nature of client needs and services provided, as well as the time needed for student’s professional development. All settings provide opportunity to learn advanced generalist social work roles.

Students are expected to document field hours on the Hourly Log form provided by the field faculty member. It is the student’s responsibility to document the field hours. If a student has questions about hours or other expectations and requirements of the
program, the student should contact the field faculty member immediately. Supervision of direct practice will be provided primarily by staff members of the agency or program unit to which students are assigned. The requirement is that students will receive a minimum of 1 hour of supervision per week from the primary supervisor.

Students are expected to familiarize themselves and comply with the procedures and policies at their agency, work within the parameters of the NASW Code of Ethics and the WI State Statutes, seek appropriate supervision, and carry a reasonable workload in a responsible, sensitive, competent and independent manner in accordance with their individualized learning plan objectives and the requirements of the agency and supervisor. This includes completing agency clinical documentation in a competent and timely fashion. It is expected that students will attend agency functions that are viewed as important components of the field experience, with the understanding that the priority is on building a practice that allows for substantial direct service.

The seminar, as an integral component of the Field course, and the special activities of the Unit as a whole, are intended to support all the Competencies listed below for the Advanced Practice year. The seminar differs from the agency component of the Field course in its emphasis and primary focus and methods. It a) utilizes a group problem-solving approach, b) provides an arena for introduction of new content, c) transcends the focus of individual agencies and d) works actively to further integration of practice and knowledge from multiple sources, using multiple methods.

III. Course Competency, Description and Dimensions (Field and Seminar)
Field education is comprised of two interrelated components: 1) The field placement, and 2) the Integrative Seminar. Together, these elements are the means by which students become competent practitioners at the advanced generalist (800-801) level.

The Integrative Seminar provides students with regular opportunities for integration of course content and field experiences. The integrative seminar connects the theoretical and conceptual content of the classroom with advanced generalist (800-801) practice in field settings. In seminar, as we consult with one another and reflect on practice dilemmas, we examine practice problems in the context of social work values and how we professionally think and feel (cognitive and affective processes) incorporating each of the identified social work competencies listed in Appendix A of the syllabus.

In seminar, a generalist perspective is used to analyze and reflect on advanced social work (800-801) practice situations students encounter in their placement. The generalist practitioner combines multidisciplinary knowledge bases, problem analysis skills, and multiple practice methods to apply creative solutions to the problems and situational needs of people in their various life roles, or social and economic realities. Central to the generalist perspective are concepts of multi-level person-environment assessment and intervention, multiple targets, and multiple methods. The field practice and integrative seminar blends agency-based practice with practice theory, human behavior, social work policy/services, and social work research. The advanced generalist perspective builds on generalist practice adapting and extending the knowledge, values and skills to address more complex direct practice situations.
and to be reflexive social work leaders capable of addressing unique, ambiguous, unstable and complex situations.

Social Work Education is framed by a competency-based approach to curriculum design. At the conclusion of their education, social work students are expected to be competent in 9 core areas. Competency is achieved through mastery of course content as measured through course activities, readings and assignments and behaviors learned in field experiences, and which are derived from social work knowledge, values, skills and cognitive and affective processes. The competencies addressed in this course can be found in Appendix A. In placement, students demonstrate mastery of a set of behaviors tied to entry and/or advanced practice social work competencies that are related to the mission and goals of social work. The behaviors associated with the competencies addressed in this field course may be found in “Student Learning Plan” and the “Evaluation Instrument” found in Appendix B.

IV. Course Content

Time: 9:00-11:30 a.m., with one break

Reading and Assignment Schedule:


Required Reading:
Please carefully review the syllabus and come to class with questions. If it helps to have a hard copy, please print one and bring it to class for the review. Otherwise, the syllabus is also accessible on CANVAS electronically.

Updated code of Ethics: Come with Questions!
https://www.socialworkers.org/About/Ethics/Code-of-Ethics

WEEK 2 (February 2, 2019) 13th film discussion. COMBINED SEMINARS. Check in and Consultation.

Assignments: January Journal Due!

Answer the following questions before class and become ready to discuss:

1. Any Terms/concepts new to you or ones you would like to understand better
2. Critical points the film raised- 1 or 2 sentence description
3. Social justice areas you found hard/difficult to understand
4. Key steps/ideas to move forward professionally.
5. How groups are “dehumanized”-share examples from film & then in SW practice/policy

Required Activity:
Watch 13th available on Netflix

WEEK 3 (February 9, 2019) Evidence-based Practice for PTSD: Prolonged Exposure Therapy; Angela Willits, LCSW guest lecturer. COMBINED SEMINARS. No Check-in and consultation.
**Required Reading:**


**Recommended Readings**


**WEEK 4 (February 16, 2019) TRE (Tension Stress and Trauma Release) and mind-body work. Jonathan Takahashi, MD, MPH guest lecturer. COMBINED SEMINARS. Check in and consultation OR space to try TRE with Jonathan Takahashi.**
*If you are thinking of trying TRE, please bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothing. Also, you will be asked to sign a consent form in order to participate.*

**Required Activities:**
Look over websites:
The Trauma Center, based on Boston, MA, founded and directed by Bessel van der Kolk, MD, one of the leading researchers on trauma: [http://www.traumacenter.org/index.php](http://www.traumacenter.org/index.php)

The main website for TRE, Tension & Trauma Releasing Exercises, founded by David Berceli, PhD: [http://traumaprevention.com](http://traumaprevention.com)

**Required Readings:**
*These readings are a bit clinically dense in parts but hopefully helpful to get a sense of the key components.*
McEwin, B.S. Gianaros, P.J. (2010). Central role of the brain in stress and adaptation:

*Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, 277-293.*


**Assignment: February Journal Due**

**Required Activities:**
Peruse website:

**WEEK 6 (March 2, 2019)** *Former Student Panel: Careers in Social Work, Job Search, Supervision, Taking the exam. Licensing and loan forgiveness. COMBINED SEMINARS for panel. Check-in and Consultation.*

Come with Questions!

**Assignments: Updated SIGNED Learning Plan Due**

**Required Activities:**
Look at the DSPS website
(Advanced Practice, APSW): https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/SocialWorkerAdvancedPractice/Default.aspx
(LCSW): https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/SocialWorkerLicensedClinical/Default.aspx

*View DSPS documents on CANVAS and come ready to ask questions!*


*Best practice standards in social work supervision.* (2013). The national association of social workers association of social work boards.

**WEEK 7 (March 9, 2019)** “So You Want to Talk About Race” book discussion. Check in and consultation.

**Assignment: Larger Systems Change Proposal Due**

**Answer the following questions before class and become ready to discuss:**

6. Any Terms/concepts new to you or ones you would like to understand better
7. Critical points the book raised- 1 or 2 sentence description
8. Social justice areas you found hard/difficult to understand
9. Key steps/ideas to move forward professionally.
10. How groups are “dehumanized”—share examples from book & then in SW practice/policy

**Required Reading:**
Finish reading:

**(March 16, 2019): Spring Break: No Class**

**WEEK 8 (March 23, 2019) Termination and Evaluation. Check-in and consultation.**

**Required Reading:**

**Recommended Reading:**


**WEEK 9 (March 30, 2019) Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. Naomi Takahashi, LCSW lecturing. COMBINED SEMINARS for lecture. No check in or consultation.**

**Assignment:** March Journal Due

**Required Activities:**
All PDFs found on CANVAS.

Peruse National Child Traumatic Stress Network resources: [https://www.nctsn.org/](https://www.nctsn.org/)

**Watch:** Nadine Burke Harris TedTalk

**Recommended Activities:**
*Take the $35 TFCBT training: [https://tfcbt2.musc.edu/](https://tfcbt2.musc.edu/)


**Required Reading:**


**WEEK 11 (April 13, 2019)** *EMDR.* Guest Speaker, BJ Nichols, MSSW, LCSW, SUDS, SC. COMBINED SEMINARS for lecture. Check-in and consultation.

**Required Reading:**
TBD

**WEEK 12 (April 20, 2019)** *Change Project Poster presentations! No Check-in and Consultation.*

**Assignment:** Poster Presentation Sessions today! Come ready to show off your poster


**Assignment:** April Journal Due

**WEEK 14 (May 4, 2019)** Year Review and Evaluation. End-of-year potluck!
Assignments: Final Journal Due. Signed Hourly Log Due.

V. Course Text and Reading Materials
Readings will be assigned, in advance, for specific class topics. Students will be expected to come prepared for class having thoughtfully read the assigned articles or other materials. Due to the extent of the material to be covered in the course, students should expect that time will not allow discussion of every reading. Some readings and exercise materials will also be handed out in seminar. Students are expected to understand the NASW Code of Ethics and integrate the code into practice. If you do not understand or have questions about any reading or the code, please see the Field Faculty for assistance. All reading materials can be found in required texts or on CANVAS.

Recommended Texts:

VI. Evaluation: Assignments, Grading, and Methods

Assignment #1: Monthly Field Journal
Due: 9:00pm on the following 5 Saturdays: February 2, February 23, March 30, April 27, with the last journal due final class, May 4.
Value: 2 points per journal entry (Total 10) Points may be deducted for late entries.
Length: 2-3 pages
You are asked to write a monthly reflection of your experiences in your field placement, including objective content (what you did, how did consumers, colleagues, and systems respond) and subjective process (what issues arose for you, what were you thinking and feeling, etc.). You may also reflect on observations and issues outside of your immediate work at your particular agency that has implications for persons with mental illness and service delivery (larger social problems, policies, portrayals of mental illness in the media, etc.). Introduce theories, models, and concepts into your journal as you learn about them in our seminar and your other courses. Protect client confidentiality by omitting identifying demographic information. I will be looking for journal content that reflects critical thinking, self-awareness, and consideration of how your own cultural values and beliefs impact interaction with consumers and other aspects of your work.

In an effort to continue to improve clinical skills, journals for 801 should emphasize case presentation and conceptualization. In other words, when discussing a client from field placement, please begin with a brief paragraph introducing the client. This should read like a brief case presentation that you might provide at an interdisciplinary team meeting. Further discussion about the client should include case conceptualization: what do you think is going on? What is this about for the client? What are your early hypotheses and how might these inform your work with the client? Your instructor will provide feedback on your documentation skills when appropriate.
In your journals, you are also encouraged to discuss your ongoing efforts at self-care, including challenges or difficulties you are encountering. **Journals are to be turned in via the CANVAS assignment dropbox.**

**Assignment #2: Updated Individualized Learning Plan**

**Due:** March 2, 2019; Signed by you and your supervisor  
**Value:** 10 points

*This semester, students will not be turning in an unsigned “draft” to the instructor followed by a revised, signed document. The final, signed document is due 3/2/19.*

In your SW 800 evaluation meeting with your agency supervisor, we discussed the general direction for your learning for the spring semester. As with the Spring semester plan, your plan will require input and approval by your agency supervisor. The learning plan should be signed by the student and agency supervisor and given to the field faculty member. The student is responsible for providing a copy to the agency supervisor and retaining a copy for themselves. If any revisions are required, you will need to provide these to your agency supervisor.

In the learning plan, be sure to specify what you will be doing in your field practice this semester aimed at furthering your development of skills in each of the ten areas of competency, keeping in mind the required advanced generalist practice behaviors. **This learning plan should include more specific learning goals and action steps than your Fall learning plan.** Remember that the seminar assignments and the field placement will contribute to your skills and abilities, so the learning plan goals can reflect “making progress” towards the requirements and focus on the skills you will be working towards at the agency.

Include:

- **At least one specific goal** to be met at the agency that is aimed at furthering your development of skills in each of the nine areas of competency, keeping in mind the required practice behaviors for the advanced practice year.
- Each goal should be clearly written and followed by one or more observable action steps indicating:
  - Experiences and methods, you will use to reach your goal
  - A description of what your agency supervisor will do in support of your goal
  - A statement that describes how you, your agency supervisory, and how I will know that each goal has been met.
- **A description of your field placement activities.** This section should include direct practice assignments, case management responsibilities, readings required or recommended by your agency supervisor that are known at the outset, meetings/staffing you will attend, agency or community trainings you will attend that are identified now, and involvement in program development, procedures or policy review.
  - Self-care plan (1-2 paragraphs)
Assignment #3: Larger Systems Change Proposal
Due: March 9th, 2018
Value: 40 Points
Length: 4+ Pages

Last semester you identified three areas in need of change. This semester you are asked to choose one of those ideas and develop it more fully, including a plan for implementing the proposed change. The change idea should be one that is feasible to implement. Be sure to discuss this project with your agency supervisor in an ongoing manner throughout the semester.

This is an academic paper and should be written as such. In other words, your style of writing should mirror that which you would see in a scholarly journal. You should not use first-person pronouns. Do not regurgitate the assignment questions. You must have an introduction and conclusion. You should use respectful, professional language in case you choose to provide some or all of this paper to stakeholders in your agency as part of your change proposal.

1. In your paper, provide a description of the problem based on your observations, information gathered from others (interviews with staff – specific comments or direct quotes; administrators; clients) and include direct verbal communications within your paper, and information you have gathered from your research on this topic (scholarly articles; agency data or reports). Regarding the research you did, include the appropriate in-text citations in APA format as well as in a reference list (also APA). You need to provide a solid argument for why this is a problem that needs to be addressed; it cannot be based on your opinion. Begin researching now! You should introduce and discuss the problem as if the reader is unfamiliar with the agency and the problem.
2. Provide a description of the proposed change. Briefly introduce the change you are suggesting and the reasons why this change would be helpful. In this change proposal, you need a **clear discussion of specific goals** for this change. In other words, what exactly are you hoping to achieve and why? What outcomes do you anticipate seeing with this change? Support the proposed change with evidence. For example, if you are suggesting your agency implement a new treatment group for depression, you need to provide a detailed description of the proposed treatment, including evidence that supports its efficacy. If you are suggesting your agency implement a new policy to address a problem in service delivery (i.e. no shows, wait times, access to providers, etc.) you must describe the new policy in detail. This might include providing information on other agencies that have similar policies.

3. Develop a plan for implementing the change, including a detailed description of action steps involved. What would be the first steps in implementing the change? With whom will you discuss this change? What will be needed to make this change happen? Who will be involved? Who might assist with funding, materials, space, and documents? How will you inform all stakeholders of the change? How will you generate buy-in? If the change will be ongoing once you have left the agency, who will remain in the agency to ensure the change continues? Anticipate and addresses as well as you can any potential barriers you might encounter in implementing this change. *Part of your implementation plan should include presenting your change proposal to agency stakeholders, such as at a staff meeting. Discuss options for this with your agency supervisor.*

4. Your plan must also include discussion of how you will evaluate the effectiveness of this change once it is implemented. In other words, how will you know if you were effective in achieving your goals? How will you know that you accomplished what you set out to do? For example, if you are proposing a new treatment group for depression with the goal to improve the mood of participants, how will you know if the group does in fact lead to improved mood among consumers? (You would need to do pre and post assessments of mood to determine this outcome.)

**Larger Systems Change Proposal**

**Professional** (no first-person pronouns), **academic** writing in APA format (including in-text citations from your research/articles, personal communication citations in-text from conversations with staff or clients, and a reference page that includes the references cited in APA format) (7 points)

**Detailed** description of identified problem with a solid argument for why change is needed, including effective use of research to support your argument (7 points)

**Thorough** and sophisticated proposal for change with clear and specific outcome goals and effective use of research to support your proposal (9 points)
Complete plan for implementation including specific action steps to address logistical and stakeholder needs, as well as plan to present the proposal to stakeholders (9 points)

Detailed plan for evaluating effectiveness of the proposed change (8 points)

Total Points Possible: 40
Total Points Awarded

General Comments:

Assignment #4: Larger Systems Change Poster Presentation

Due: Poster Presentation during class on April 20, 2019 with the other SW801 units, as well as a due date in March in order to get poster printed by the school.

Value: 40 Points

Length: Give your presentation multiple times as students/faculty/supervisors walk through the poster session. Report back on other poster projects that you also listen to during this poster session.

*Extra points given for participating in the UW Madison Poster Symposium on Friday April 19, 2019!

This assignment significantly expands upon an exercise you did last semester in which you identified a larger system change project proposal and possible first action steps. For this semester, you are expected to continue planning, implementing and evaluating your proposal. Review the course calendar for due dates regarding this assignment.

POSTER PRESENTATION (Visual and Verbal Report of your action, outcomes, recommendations, and learning):

Students will create a professional poster for a multi-seminar presentation on April 20th. Posters should include a title and be large enough to accommodate the required sections below. To create a visually appealing and effective poster, students should allow ample space for text and for space in between text boxes/topics. Students can find professional poster examples and tips at the following:

http://nau.edu/Undergraduate-Research/Poster-Presentation-Tips/

http://ugs.utexas.edu/our/poster/review

https://harrisresearch.tcu.edu/student-research/research-symposium/poster-samples/

In addition to the poster, students should prepare a very brief 5-7-minute verbal synopsis of the “take away points” from their project, and also be prepared to answer questions.
Include the following on your poster and/or in your brief verbal presentation:

1. A brief introduction to the agency, followed by an introduction of the problem being addressed; identifying the main points that indicate this is a problem within the agency, or community.

2. Provide an overview of the proposed change including the goals for this project. In other words, what exactly did you set out to achieve? What outcomes did you anticipate seeing with this change?

3. What action steps you took to implement the change/address the problem and why. What were the first steps in implementing the change? Who was involved in the process? What was needed to make this change happen? Who assisted with funding, materials, space, documents, etc.? How did you inform all stakeholders of the change? How did you generate buy-in? If the change will be ongoing once you have left the agency, describe the plan in place to ensure the change continues? Discuss any barriers or obstacles in the implementation process. Likewise, discuss any successes in the implementation process. *Be sure to include a discussion of your presentation of the change proposal to agency stakeholders. Discuss the feedback and reactions from stakeholders, perhaps including recommendations for changes or improvements.

4. What outcomes or results have occurred as a result of your change project? What do you make of these results? Specify if there are additional outcomes expected in the near future and why.

5. How did you evaluate or would evaluate the effectiveness of the change (if time does not allow completion). Were you effective in achieving your goals? Did you accomplish what you set out to do? If you were unable to implement the change fully or partially, discuss what contributed to this and what you would do differently in the future. Be sure to discuss any future plans in the agency regarding this change project.

6. What recommendations do you have for the agency (on this issue) or for other students pursuing this issue?

7. Appropriately cite all references/resources, e.g., agency supervisor, other staff, faculty, and/or other materials including readings from this course and other classes.

8. A brief review of relevant literature/research in which you indicate if and how it helped inform your practice (minimum of three sources)

The purpose of the assignment is to:
· Acknowledge and share the NUMEROUS ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT OPPORTUNITIES, how social work field students are
change agents, and how they “make a difference” in the welfare of people and society.
· Learn more about human rights, social, economic, cultural and other issues experienced by women, children, persons of color, aging, persons with disabilities, and/or the LGBT population or any at-risk population.
· Develop or enhance knowledge, skills and values regarding a mezzo or macro change effort.
· Complete and evaluate, to degree possible, a change effort that is effective, efficient and sustainable.
· Develop or enhance knowledge, skills, and values regarding working in teams (whether with other seminar students or others in the community).

This Field opportunity to move from careful assessment to planned intervention at the mezzo and macro level supports a skill area of critical importance in all social work. Field student focus each semester on mezzo and macro considerations helps attune the student, supervisor and field instructor to student learning at this level. It also assists the student and supervisor in supporting positive agency and system approaches to services delivery. It can assist field instructor and/or subsequent students to continue on your work. Finally, when results are shared with the seminar, it can assist the field unit as a whole to learn.

**Larger Systems Change Project Outcome Presentation**

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**General Comments:**

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**Hourly Log**
Due: May 4th, 2019
Use the form provided in class to record weekly how many hours you were present at your field placement. Keep in mind that missed hours must be made up, and that 801-level students must complete 320 hours by the end of the spring semester. Time spent getting to your placement does NOT count towards field hours; however, time spent traveling from a field placement to in-home sessions or community meetings or to sites of other placement activities in the course of your fieldwork does apply. Your attendance at field seminars, orientation sessions, and the end-of-semester field meeting counts towards your field practice hours.

This is an all or nothing assignment. If hours are not completed and arrangements for continuing the placement over the semester break have not been made in advance with me, or the record is not submitted on time; passing students will be given a grade of “Incomplete” for the semester until the Record of Field Hours is submitted with signatures.

Participation and Professionalism:
Participation is required and measured by amount and quality. Quality participation includes the ability to look at oneself and critically analyze strengths and areas for growth. Quality participation also includes providing support and feedback to peers as appropriate, as well as seeking feedback and consultation from peers. Those whose participation clearly demonstrates having completed readings and other assignments, the ability to integrate social work concepts with field and other experiences, AND the ability to fully engage in problem solving and other exercises (presenting social work issues or other perspectives for discussion as well as responding to other students who present issues) will earn high marks in this area. Participation can be challenging for some students. Please see the instructor EARLY in the semester if you need any assistance in this or any other areas.

Professionalism includes being prepared and present in every class. It includes arriving on time. My policy is to deduct points each time you are late to class. If you arrive to class after we have started, you can assume you will be deducted 1-3 points unless we have discussed the reason for your late arrival and it is deemed unavoidable.

You are expected to demonstrate an ability to listen to and ask questions of your peers in a respectful, thoughtful manner consistent with the values of social work. It also involves the ability to discuss challenges in one’s field placement in a respectful manner. This includes not only the manner in which we discuss clients, but also the manner in which you might discuss challenges with your supervisor or other staff. Discussing challenges in field placement in a way that is akin to “gossiping” will not be tolerated. I recommend adopting the practice of discussing issues related to clients and colleagues as if they were in the room. Students should demonstrate curiosity, an ability to examine assumptions, values and practice challenges, and the ability to contribute to a shared space in which it is safe to do so.

Individual Meetings and Out-of-Class Contact
Students are encouraged to meet with me at any time during the semester. I am happy to meet before and after class but would prefer advance notice, if possible. We can also arrange a time to meet or talk by phone on non-class days. I am most accessible by
email, which I check daily. I will respond to emails within 24 hours during the business week (Monday thru Friday). However, questions or requests related to assignments need to be emailed 24 hours prior to the start of class on the day the assignment is due. I do ask that if you have questions related to our class, please review the syllabus before contacting me to see if you might find the answer to your question there.

**Methods: Integrative Model**

**Integrative Seminar**
There is a required weekly seminar with the field faculty on Saturdays from 9:00 am - 11:30 am. The seminar is used for integrating theory and practice. The format for the seminar includes consultation about practice problems and issues, faculty instruction and student presentations, guest speakers and learning activities.

**Supervision, Consultation and Evaluation**
Students have three sources of supervisory guidance, consultation and evaluation: the agency supervisor, the field faculty instructor and the field seminar group. Students are required to receive weekly supervision from their agency supervisor. Consultation is available each week during the seminar meetings and students can seek additional consultation from their agency supervisor or field faculty member, as needed.

**Meetings Together with your Agency Supervisor**
Open and frequent communication among all parties over the course of the semester will help keep all of us on track. At the end of the semester, you and I will meet with your agency supervisor at the agency for evaluation of your work at the field placement. There are evaluation forms for this end-of-semester meeting that your supervisor and you will each fill out, and then share with each other, before our end-of-semester meeting.

Use of supervision includes being prepared for discussions or meetings with your supervisor as well as other professionals in the agency. Preparation would include critically thinking about and being ready to discuss and process the following:

- issues, situations, challenges, opportunities, and/or successes experienced in practice;
- what you have done or would do (e.g., options, interventions) in addressing issues or concerns and any specific questions you have regarding the matter;
- the learning plan (e.g., reviewing progress on a couple methods of achievement and its respective competency each time);
- seminar discussions and assignments, including the practice questions of the week; and
- other topics for discussion identified by the field faculty member, agency supervisor, or student

You will also be meeting with your supervisor for a mid-term evaluation and with your supervisor and field faculty for the end-of-the semester evaluation. See the section on evaluation and grading for more information. For more information on supervision, consultation and evaluation and educational roles, including those of students, please see below and the *Field Education Handbook*, section I.

**The Agency Supervisor has the following responsibilities:**
1. Participate in student selection/placement process.
2. Work with student and faculty in development of learning plans and supervisory arrangements.
3. Orient student to agency, work unit, and practice area.
4. Provide ongoing practice supervision.
5. Possible teamwork with student.
6. Provide good professional role model.
7. Consult with student on professional growth and development.
8. Provide student with ongoing constructive criticism and final evaluation.

The Field Faculty has the following responsibilities:
1. Responsible for student selection and community placement.
2. Develop/approve learning plan and supervisory arrangements with student and practicum supervisor.
3. Teach field unit seminar to provide relevant theoretical, policy, and problem content.
4. Share in ongoing practice supervision/consultation and help student integrate seminar content with placement experience.
5. Provide good professional role model.
6. Maintain regular contact (at least monthly) with practicum supervisor to monitor student performance, ensure learning opportunities, deal with performance problems, etc.
7. Consult with student on professional growth and development
8. Help student integrate constructive criticism and responsible for evaluation and grading.

For more detail, see “Summary of Educational Roles in Working with Field Students” in the Field Education Handbook.

Evaluation and Grading
Evaluation is ongoing between the student, agency supervisor(s) and the field faculty member. The field faculty member receives feedback on your performance from you and your agency supervisor(s) and determines the grade earned. Your education is a shared responsibility, so always feel free to seek and give feedback, ask questions, make appointments, and do what you need to do to keep yourself actively learning, excited, and happy in your field setting.

Forty percent (40%) of the final grade will be based on the thoughtfulness and preparedness of your participation in seminar and the quality of your written assignments, which are all a part of professional behavior. Written assignments must be turned in by the specified due dates unless specific arrangements have been made with me in advance. Students are expected to attend all seminars, with reasonable accommodations being made as specified in University policy or for other situations such as illness, emergencies and, especially for those commuting from outside of Madison when travel is discouraged due to inclement weather. Students are responsible for informing me of absences from class in advance if possible, and for following up with me as soon as possible regarding that day’s seminar content. Frequent absences from field unit meetings and/or failure to follow up may result in a grade
reduction for this course. Completion of required readings and active participation in seminars, including arriving on time and demonstrating an ability to listen to and ask questions of your peers, will also figure importantly into this portion of your overall grade.

More specifically:

- Regarding professionalism, field faculty will be looking for evidence of thoughtful reading of assigned materials, curiosity, ability to examine assumptions, values and practice challenges, and the ability to contribute to a shared space in which it is safe to do so.
- For the written assignments this semester, field faculty will be looking for thoroughness in all of the elements noted earlier in this syllabus.

If you have not completed the required hours for field practicum by the end of the semester, you will receive a grade of Incomplete for the semester (assuming that you are otherwise passing the course and have obtained advance approval from field faculty of your plan to complete the hours).

Sixty percent (60%) of the grade is based on actual fieldwork considering the degree to which the competencies are met through observable behaviors, including the student’s performance in the classroom and in the field. The student’s demonstration of professionalism, both in seminar and in the field, and as outlined in this syllabus, will be included in the student’s final grade.

Students are expected to achieve the competencies of the field course through the observable behaviors; complete the required hours per semester, cooperate fully with agency staff and the field faculty member; seek clarification of feedback when needed; apply feedback across practice; and strive for their best performance in all field assignments. This is especially important because field practice differs from most other university courses in that the placement entails not only educational outcomes for the student, but also professional responsibilities to clients, agencies, and the community. As such, when students engage clients and assume service obligations, there are ongoing professional and ethical matters to be considered as well as the learning needs of the student. Also, considerable time and effort is spent on the part of the agency supervisors and faculty to plan and deliver a good learning opportunity. Evaluation and grading, therefore, reflect the overall quality of the performance, not merely completion of the activities. The field evaluation instrument with the competencies and respective behaviors; the student’s performance in seminar, the student’s learning plan; and the progress summary will serve as guides in the evaluation process.

The following components will be assessed based on the student’s performance:

End of semester evaluation instrument:

- Utilization of supervision (listens to and accepts critical feedback; ability for self-reflection and open discussion of challenges; appropriately seeks consultation with asking questions, sharing concerns and ideas; preparedness for supervision meetings)
- Participation in field placement activities (taking initiative to seek learning opportunities; shows motivation; appropriate interactions with other staff; ability to work within an interdisciplinary team)
- Cultural and ethical components of field practice (displays cultural competence with staff and clients; awareness of biases and ability to discuss these in supervision; consideration of culture and the social environment in case conceptualization; ability to
identify ethical dilemmas and discuss these in supervision; adheres to NASW Code of Ethics)

- Clinical documentation (ability to work with the technology; content of notes; clinical language; thoroughness, timeliness)
- Professionalism (reliability; thoroughness; organization; adhering to boundaries; time management; ability to work responsibly and independently; completes tasks as assigned; participation and preparedness; attire; uses professional judgment)
- Attendance and timeliness (in seminar and in field)

**Practice Skills:**
- Engagement skills (relates well to clients and staff, ability to build rapport; ability to convey warmth, empathy and genuineness; ability to demonstrate active listening)
- Assessment and skills (ability to gather relevant information; ability to articulate a comprehensive formulation; conceptualization skills)
- Planning and goal setting (ability to develop a clear plan with specific goals and observable, measurable objectives)
- Intervention (ability to implement interventions in line with goals and objectives; ability to understand and incorporate best practice interventions.
- Evaluation (ability to evaluate interventions and progress toward goals; ability for self-reflection on performance)

Final responsibility for grading the student’s performance in the placement rests with the field faculty member. However, considerable weight in grading will be given to the student’s agency supervisor’s assessment of the progress the student has made in fulfilling the stated competencies and the quality of the student’s work in the field placement. Field faculty will periodically review your progress both with you and with the agency supervisor and joint meetings will be held with you if indicated or desired by you or your agency supervisor. A mid-semester meeting can be scheduled if the student, agency supervisor, or field faculty member request a meeting.

In December, the student, agency supervisor and field faculty member will meet together to discuss your progress in accomplishing your learning objectives for the semester and to evaluate the overall quality of your field performance. This discussion will be informed in part by a self-evaluation form you will be asked to complete prior to our meeting, and a parallel version of the form that your agency supervisor will complete. While your self-evaluation will be given considerable weight in arriving at your final grade for fieldwork, greatest weight will be given to your agency supervisor’s overall assessment of your work. 

Be sure that you and your agency supervisor each have a copy of each other’s evaluation form and have shared this information with each other prior to the final evaluation meeting.

**Grade Standards for the Course:**
The grade equivalency for these percentages is as follows:

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The following are grading standards for the course:

A grade of “A” will include:
- Outstanding; frequently surpasses expectations in all areas (competencies and practice behaviors) on the “Student Field Evaluation Instrument” and in seminar.
- Superior/excellent ability to utilize supervision, receives feedback from supervisor and/or instructor with minimal defensiveness, respond positively to suggestions and implement them.
- Excellent integration with the placement, ability to relate to staff, supervisor, other clinicians and students, including the ability to participate, as a member of a team regarding service for clients with particularly complex service needs.
- Consistent attendance, thoughtful preparation and collaborative participation in the field seminar, with consistent evidence of having read assigned material (e.g., ability to interject major concepts from readings into discussion without prompting).
- With participation, clearly demonstrates ability to provide other perspectives, solutions, options to discussion (e.g., problem solving) AND integrate social work concepts with field and other experiences.
- Consistent and excellent responsiveness to cultural and ethical components of your practice as evidenced by supervisor feedback and seminar participation.

A grade of “AB” represents very good to superior/excellent performance in all areas. It may mean that a student has met the “A” criteria in all but one or two of the above areas.

A grade of “B” represents good performance. A student earning a "B" will exhibit good performance in most areas. A student may be meeting only minimum standards in an area but is working actively to make improvements.

A grade of “BC” indicates that the student has met the minimum criteria needed to pass the course.

The “C” grade represents below minimum performance standards in several areas or major deficits in two areas and may not be meeting client obligations adequately. As cited in the Field Education Handbook (p. 38): “A grade of “C” in the first, second or third semester of the field course will not allow a student to continue in the professional degree program. A grade of “C” in the final semester will not permit a student to graduate. Both situations may be remediated if the field faculty (upon consultation with the Director of
Field Education) agrees to permit additional field study and practice, and the student succeeds in raising the grade upon satisfactory completion of additional work. Permission to continue in the entire social work professional degree program (field and other courses) following the receipt of a grade of “C” may be granted by the Field Course Committee upon the student’s written request and committee review of the student’s educational needs, performance problems, and the likelihood of improved performance.”

A grade of “D” or “F” may be assigned in this class and would represent extremely serious performance issues. Conditions under which these grades might be assigned include, but are not limited to, serious ethical misconduct, commission of a crime while engaged in a field activity or using alcohol or drugs (except as prescribed by a medical provider) while engaged in a field activity.

D= failing, one point, may not continue in program  
F= failing grade, no points

Field Evaluation (60% of Final Grade)

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VII. Course Policies

Classroom Climate

Classroom climate, or the way a classroom space feels to everyone in the room based on communication, norms, values and processes, impacts participation, motivation and learning. Meeting course objectives requires that the instructor and students actively work to create a learning environment that is respectful and safe so that ideas can be examined honestly, diverse viewpoints shared, and in-class activities approached with maximum curiosity and enthusiasm. In order to learn, we must be open to the views of people different from ourselves. Diversity in beliefs, ideas and lived experiences are highly valued here. Each student has knowledge and experience that will enhance the learning of their colleagues and each voice is important. In this time we share together over the semester, please honor the uniqueness of your fellow classmates, and appreciate the opportunity we have to learn from each other. Because the class will represent diverse individual beliefs, backgrounds, and experiences, every member of this class must show respect for every other member of this class.

I am firmly committed to diversity and equity in all areas of campus life and building an inclusive classroom space where everyone feels safe and welcome. I recognize that we all have biases. Discrimination can be direct or indirect and take place at both institutional and personal levels. I believe that such discrimination is unacceptable, and I am committed to providing equality of opportunity for all by eliminating any discrimination based on race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, age, etc., harassment, bullying, or victimization. The success of this policy relies on the support and understanding of everyone in this class. We all have a responsibility not to be offensive to each other, or to participate in, or condone harassment or discrimination of any kind. I invite you to bring any concerns in this regard to my attention.

We will develop community and discussion practices in our first meeting and revisit them as needed throughout the course. We will share the challenges of upholding our community guidelines and responding to moments when we fail to abide by them. Students will be held accountable for what they are expressing verbally and nonverbally. Students are expected to keep confidential all issues of a personal or professional nature discussed in class.

Student Wellness

As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning. These might include strained relationships, anxiety, high levels of stress, alcohol/drug problems, racism, feeling down, and/or loss of motivation. University Health Services
(UHS) can help with these or other issues you may be experiencing. You can learn about the free, confidential mental health services available on campus by calling (608)265-5600 or visiting www.uhs.wisc.edu. Help is always available.

Other student support services and programs include:

- Multicultural Student Center https://msc.wisc.edu/
- Gender and Sexuality Campus Center https://lgbt.wisc.edu/
- Dean of Students Office https://www.students.wisc.edu/doso/

Below are resources for reporting and responding to incidents of bias and hate on campus.

- Report: https://students.wisc.edu/doso/services/bias-reporting-process
- Bias Response and Advocacy Coordinator email: reportbias@wisc.edu
- UW-Madison Police Department: uwpd.wisc.edu
- Office of Equity and Diversity: www.oed.wisc.edu/

You may also report incidents in-person to the Dean of Students Office, 70 Bascom Hall, during normal business hours. Reportable incidents include crimes such as vandalism or physical assault, as well as non-academic misconduct, slurs, and intimidation. Anyone who files a report will have the opportunity to meet with the Bias Response and Advocacy Coordinator, so that we can meet their needs and ensure their safety.

**Out-of-Class Contact with Instructor**

I encourage students to meet with me outside of class to discuss concerns, answer questions and provide comments and feedback. I am usually available to meet briefly right before class, during break and right after class ends. Rather than holding office hours, I prefer to meet with students by appointment. Please email me with a request to arrange a time to meet. I am happy to meet students in the Social Work Library or the Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery coffee shop if this is a more comfortable and welcoming space for you.

**Code of Ethics, Student Rights and Responsibilities & Plagiarism**

Incoming BSW and MSW students read and signed electronic forms of the NASW Code of Ethics, the School of Social Work Plagiarism Policy and the School’s Principles of Professional Conduct. In doing so, they agreed that while in the BSW or MSW Program they would honor the Code of Ethics and Principles of Professional Conduct, as well as adhere to the Plagiarism Policy and that should they not do so, sanctions would be imposed. BSW and MSW students are expected to adhere to these policies in the classroom and in the preparation of course assignments.

**Electronics:**

To minimize disruptions to class, process all electronics must be turned off during the class period. If there is a medical or other serious need for these devices, please speak to the instructor before class. Taping of classes will be allowed only after full disclosure to the
class that a tape recorder is operating.

**Confidentiality:**
Confidentiality is of utmost importance. In both written assignments and oral discussions and presentations, the rules of confidentiality, as expressed in the NASW Code of Ethics, are to be strictly observed. It is imperative to protect client identity at all times. The same rules apply to dialogue concerning co-workers or professionals and staff at the field placement site and/or agency of employment. Do not share information that would violate the confidentiality of clients or embarrass coworkers.

**Student Behavior Policy:**
In order to learn, we must be open to the views of people different from ourselves. Each and every voice in the classroom is important and brings with it a wealth of experiences, values and beliefs. In this time we share together over the semester, please honor the uniqueness of your fellow classmates, and appreciate the opportunity we have to learn from each other. Please respect your fellow students’ opinions and refrain from personal attacks or demeaning comments of any kind. Finally, remember to keep confidential all issues of a personal or professional nature discussed in class.

Students are expected to maintain a level of professional behavior in and out of the classroom. Disrespectful behavior in the classroom and field will not be tolerated. Disrespectful behavior will be determined at the discretion of the field faculty. Some examples of this behavior are, but not limited to, talking while others are speaking, sleeping in class and not being respectful to field faculty or to guest speakers. Field seminar is an extension of the field placement. Your grade in field seminar is based on successful completion of the competencies and behaviors, both in seminar and in the field. Disrespectful and unprofessional behavior in the classroom will not be tolerated and will be reflected in the final course grade. It is the student’s responsibility to contact the field faculty for any clarification on disrespectful and unprofessional behavior.

**Disability Accommodation:**
The University of Wisconsin-Madison supports the right of all enrolled students to a full and equal educational opportunity. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Wisconsin State Statute (36.12), and UW-Madison policy (Faculty Document 1071) require that students with disabilities be reasonably accommodated in instruction and campus life. If you require accommodations to obtain equal access to this class or to any assignments that I may give, please contact me as soon as possible. I want all my students to have an excellent learning experience. Students who are requesting an accommodation due to a disability are expected to inform the field faculty member and provide verification (e.g., from the McBurney Disability Resource Center) at the beginning of the semester or as soon as the need for an accommodation is determined. Disability information, including instructional accommodations as part of a student’s educational record, is confidential and protected under FERPA.
**Attendance Policy:**
Due to the accelerated nature of courses in the University of Wisconsin-Madison Part-Time MSW Program, students are expected to attend all scheduled classes and to arrive on time.

**Promptness**
Prompt arrival to all courses is required.
- Instructors may take actions they deem appropriate if a student is consistently tardy.
- Instructors may also consider a significantly late arrival (more than 20 minutes) or early departure as an absence.

**Absence**
To ensure a quality educational experience, students must attend and participate in classes.
- Attendance will be taken at each class and students’ level of participation noted.
- Excused & Unexcused Absences:
  - Two unexcused absences will result in a student’s grade being dropped one full grade.
  - Three unexcused absences will place the student at risk for failing the course.
  - On a case by case basis, it is left to the instructor’s discretion as to what is defined as an excused absence, as well as to determine appropriate follow up plans.
- Additional graded make-up work appropriate for the content missed will be assigned for any unexcused absences and if the student has had more than one excused absence.
- Students are responsible for completing any class requirements for the day missed, and for obtaining from a fellow classmate any assignments, materials, and communications missed due to absence, late arrival, or early departure.
- Students who must be absent due to inclement weather or other emergencies must contact the instructor prior to the start of class to be considered for an **excused** absence.
- Inclement weather Policy:
  - If there is inclement weather across the Program area, students will be expected to check their email prior to leaving for class to confirm whether classes are cancelled.
  - If classes are not cancelled but an individual student concludes he/she cannot safely travel to reach his/her class site, the student must contact his/her instructor(s) regarding his/her plan to not travel. Students will be responsible for learning the material they missed.

**Reading Assignments:** You are expected to have read all assigned material prior to the class date under which the readings are listed above. Reading and critically evaluating what you have read is necessary so that you can learn, actively participate in class discussions, and successfully complete written assignments.

**Written Assignment Policy:**
All written assignments are to be completed in Microsoft Word. Always include a cover sheet (not counted as one of the required pages) with the title of the paper, your name, the date turned into the instructor, course number, and course title (do not put this
information on the first page of your paper). Students must format these assignments using one-inch margins, double-spacing, and a Times New Roman 12-point font. Headings should NOT be placed in the body of the paper unless indicated. You must use correct APA format for citations; consult the UW writing center’s guide for APA formatting (http://writing.wisc.edu/Handbook.DocAPA.html). When required to use references, you must use peer-reviewed journals. Websites may only be used with prior approval from the instructor. Failure to comply with these expectations will result in a loss of points.

**Criteria for Assignments**
Specific attention should be given to organization, paragraphs, sentence structure, clarity and correct citation using APA format. Before turning in any assignment, consider if the following criteria are met:

1. Validity, relevance, support of main points, ability to consider other perspectives.
2. Sources, quotes, and paraphrases appropriately identified; clear connection to course ideas/readings. Own thinking comes through.
3. Organization, clarity, logical flow, completed as required.
4. Has an introduction and conclusion, unless otherwise stated.
5. Paragraphs should have topic sentences that reflect the content of the paragraph and should have a smooth flow from one paragraph to the next.
6. Has depth, includes critical evaluation, is integrative-looks at the whole.
7. Appropriate grammar, spelling, format, etc.

Papers should be placed in the Canvas Dropbox prior to class on the due date. It is your responsibility to be sure your paper has been downloaded properly. The instructor will adhere to the policy on late assignments if an assignment is not received in the dropbox by the time it is due.

**Note about grading:** Your goal for this and other courses should be to make the most of your learning experience, and not to simply “get an A.” Your expectations about the grades you receive on assignments should be wholly based on (1) the extent to which you respond to assignment objectives, (2) the quality of your writing (to include grammar and spelling, organization, flow and clarity), and (3) your ability to demonstrate depth and critical thinking. If there is something about an assignment that is unclear to you, it is your job to bring this to my attention.

Grade expectations should NOT be based on what you have received in other courses—this is never a legitimate argument for appealing a grade. If you have an issue with a grade that you receive in this course, please document the reasons for your appeal in writing with specific attention to the three points raised above and I will give your appeal my careful attention.

**Late Assignment Policy:**
The assignments listed above are due at the beginning of the class period on the date specified. Students who believe they have a legitimate reason for turning in a late assignment should contact the instructor prior to the due date for approval to submit late.
Unapproved late assignments will be marked down three points for each day they are late with no exceptions. You are required to contact the instructor if you will be handing in a paper late. The instructor will NOT contact you if an assignment is not received.

**Grade Appeals/Grievance Policy:**
A student wishing to appeal a grade must first meet with the instructor who assigned the grade to try to resolve the dispute. The process for grade appeals is set forth in the School of Social Work’s Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook. [http://socwork.wisc.edu/files/StudentRightsResponsibilities.pdf](http://socwork.wisc.edu/files/StudentRightsResponsibilities.pdf)

**Appendix A:**

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<td>1: Demonstrate ethical and professional behavior</td>
<td><strong>Each seminar week:</strong> Class consultation, check-in and problem-solving along with lecture, reading, assignments and group discussion related to dimensions of ethics working in various settings in mental health field. (V, C &amp; AP)</td>
<td>Field placement, class exercises, participation in field seminar discussions: all weeks.</td>
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<td>Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate and employ in a focus area an understanding of the value base of the profession and its ethical standards, as well as relevant laws and regulations that may impact practice at the micro, mezzo and macro levels. They understand and utilize frameworks of ethical decision-making and autonomously apply principles of critical thinking to those frameworks in practice, research, and policy arenas. Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate awareness of their personal values and an ability to distinguish them from professional values. They also possess and employ an understanding as to how their personal experiences and affective reactions influence their professional judgment and behavior. Advanced Generalist social workers understand the</td>
<td>Explore the intersectionality of multiple factors affecting those ethics with NASW Code of Ethics. (K, V, C, &amp;AP)</td>
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<td>Evaluate ethical dilemmas related to problems and issues in the area of mental health. (K, S, V,C &amp; AP)</td>
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<td>Weigh values, principles of ethical decision-making, and the NASW code of ethics and, as appropriate, International Federation of Social Workers Ethics in Social Work/Statement of Principles in order to address ethical dilemmas related to practice in the area of mental health.</td>
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role of other professions and use this understanding to engage effectively in inter-professional teams. They have a commitment to life-long learning and continually update their skills to ensure they are relevant and effective. Advanced Generalist social workers also are knowledgeable about the emerging forms of technology and ethically use this technology in social work practice.  

(K, S, V, C & AP)  

Apply knowledge of social services, policies and programs relevant to the area of mental health, to advocate with and/or on behalf of clients for access to services. (K, S, V, C & AP)  

Develop a plan for continuing professional education and development. (K, S, & V)  

Collaborate with and articulate the mission of Social Work to others (e.g., interdisciplinary team members, volunteers, the broader community, the news media, and political leaders). (K, S, V, C & AP)  

2.1.2 Engage Diversity and Difference in Practice Advanced practice social workers demonstrate in a focus area an advanced understanding of how diversity and difference characterize and shape the human experience and are critical to the formation of identity. They demonstrate comprehension that dimensions of diversity are understood as the intersectionality of multiple factors including but not limited to age, class, color, culture, disability and ability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, immigration status, marital status, political ideology, race,  

(K, V, C & AP)  

Each seminar week: Class consultation, check-in and problem-solving along with lecture, reading, assignments and group discussion related to dimensions of diversity issues in working with children and families and adults and the intersectionality of multiple factors affecting diversity in relation to race, culture, gender identity, sexual orientation, poverty and privilege. (K, V, C & AP)  

Mid and End of semester evaluation and learning plan with supervisor and field  

Larger systems change assignment  

In field  

All: Field practicum, class exercises, participation in field seminar discussions, journal entries  

Week 7, 14  

Mid semester, final weeks
Advanced practice social workers recognize that, as a consequence of difference, a person’s life experiences may include oppression, poverty, marginalization, and alienation, as well as privilege, power, and acclaim, and apply this recognition in their practice. They also demonstrate in practice their understanding of the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination, and a recognition of the extent to which a culture’s structures and values, including social, economic, political, and cultural exclusions, may oppress, marginalize, alienate, or create privilege and power.

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<th>2.1.3: Advance Human Rights and Social, Economic, and Environmental Justice</th>
<th>Each seminar week: Class consultation, check-in and problem-solving along with lecture, reading, assignments and group discussion related to dimensions of human rights and the intersectionality of poverty, social justice, theory and policies. (V, C &amp; AP)</th>
<th>All: Field practicum, class exercises, participation in field seminar discussions, journal entries. All weeks</th>
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<td>Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate in their focus area an understanding that every person regardless of position in society has fundamental human rights such as freedom, safety, privacy, an adequate standard of living, health care, and education. Advanced generalist social workers incorporate in practice an understanding of the global interconnections of oppression and human rights violations, and knowledgeable about theories of human</td>
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need and social justice and strategies to promote social and economic justice and human rights. Advanced generalist social workers employ strategies designed to eliminate oppressive structural barriers to ensure that social goods, rights, and responsibilities are distributed equitably and that civil, political, environmental, economic, social, and cultural human rights are protected.

2.1.4: Engage in Practice-informed Research and Research-informed Practice

Advanced Generalist social workers understand and apply quantitative and qualitative research methods to advance the science of social work and practice in the focus area. They know and apply the principles of logic, scientific inquiry and culturally informed and ethical approaches to building knowledge in the focus area. Advanced Generalist social workers understand and demonstrate that evidence informed practice derives from multi-disciplinary sources and multiple ways of knowing, demonstrate the processes for translating research findings into their focus area of practice.

**Each seminar week:** Class consultation, check-in and problem-solving along with lecture, reading, assignments and group discussion related to dimensions of evidence-based methods and practices in working with children, youth and families and adults.

**Change Agent Report and Presentation (K, S, V, C & AP)**

**Mid and End of semester evaluation and learning plan with supervisor and field faculty (K, S, V, C & AP)**

All: Field practicum, class exercises, participation in field seminar discussions, journal entries. Weeks 1-14

Week 11, 12, 13

Week 7, 14

2.1.5: Engage in Policy Practice

Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate a developed understanding that human rights, social justice, social welfare and

**Each seminar week:** Class consultation, check-in and problem-solving along with lecture, reading, assignments and group discussion related to dimensions of local,

All: Field practicum, class exercises, participation in field seminar discussions, journal entries. Weeks 1-14
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### 2.1.6 Engage with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations and Communities

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of human behavior and the social environment when evaluating outcomes. Advanced Generalist social workers employ qualitative and quantitative methods as appropriate for evaluating outcomes and practice effectiveness in a focus area.

| UW-Madison School of Social Work: Student Learning Plan & Field Evaluation Instrument |
| Social Work Practice in ________________________________ |
Advanced Generalist Practice Specialization Year: SW 801 Spring,__________________(School Year)

STUDENT: __________________
Phone Number: ______________
Placement Phone Number: ______________
UW Email Address: ______________
Field Hour Schedule: ______________

AGENCY SUPERVISOR: ______________
Phone Number: ______________
Agency Name/Address: ______________
Office Location: ______________
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Academic Courses (Spring):

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Instructions for Evaluating Students on the Nine Competencies: Evaluation Component (Column 3)

The nine competencies specified in this evaluation form are those established by our national accrediting organization (the Council on Social Work Education). The student’s learning plan has identified the learning opportunities (e.g., methods, activities, and assignments) available for the student to achieve these competencies. Under each competency statement are several indicators, i.e., behaviors, which we ask you to rate, according to the following criteria, based upon their performance of the measurable methods of achievement (the observable learning opportunities). Students demonstrate mastery of a set of behaviors tied to practice competencies that are related to the mission and goals of social work in the field placement. Students gain experience and focus on skill development in their field placements related to the behaviors associated with the competencies.

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Comments may be made under any competency statement, if desired. Please be sure to indicate those areas in which you think the student is particularly strong and those areas in which the student needs improvement. For the latter, please note specific strategies for making improvement or indicate that these will need to be identified during the three-way (agency supervisor, student and field faculty) evaluation meeting.

This evaluation is intended to give the student feedback about their performance. Students are expected to indicate if there are areas they do not understand and/or with which they do not agree. For the fall semester evaluation, the rating is based on what the student has accomplished to-date and how well they have accomplished it in terms of expectations, at that time, for achievement of the behavior. The spring end-of-semester rating indicates the “outcome” in terms of achieving the behavior. For the advanced generalist level student, the desired outcome is that of an autonomous social work practitioner. The Field Faculty will determine the student’s grade based on their overall evaluation of the student’s performance in the field placement in conjunction with performance in the integrative seminar.

*Note: The N/A rating is only applicable for the fall semester final.
Advanced Generalist Practice Specialization Year Competencies, Behaviors and Evaluation

**Competency 2.1.1**
**Demonstrate Ethical and Professional Behavior.**
Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate and employ in their focus area an understanding of the value base of the profession and its ethical standards, as well as relevant laws and regulations that may impact practice at the micro, mezzo and macro levels. They understand and utilize frameworks of ethical decision-making and autonomously apply principles of critical thinking to those frameworks in practice, research, and policy arenas. Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate awareness of their personal values and an ability to distinguish them from professional values. They also possess and employ an understanding as to how their personal experiences and affective reactions influence their professional judgment and behavior. Advanced Generalist social workers understand the role of other professions and use this understanding to engage effectively in inter-professional teams. They have a commitment to life-long learning and continually update their skills to ensure they are relevant and effective. Advanced Generalist social workers also are knowledgeable about the emerging forms of technology and ethically use this technology in social work practice. Advanced Generalist Social Workers:

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<td>Evaluate and render ethical decisions by applying the standards of the NASW Code of Ethics, relevant federal and state laws and regulations, agency regulations, models for ethical decision-making, ethical conduct of research, and additional codes of ethics in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Exercise continual self-reflection and self-awareness in order to understand personal values, beliefs and biases, and how they may potentially influence practice, and ethical issues and decisions that arise in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate ethical professional demeanor in behavior; appearance; oral, written, and electronic communication and use of technology in a focus area.</td>
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Employ supervision and consultation to monitor professional judgments, behavior and guide ethical decision-making in a focus area.

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Competency 2.1.2
Engage Diversity and Difference in Practice.

Advanced Generalist practice social workers demonstrate in their focus area an advanced understanding of how diversity and difference characterize and shape the human experience and are critical to the formation of identity. They demonstrate comprehension that dimensions of diversity are understood as the intersectionality of multiple factors including but not limited to age, class, color, culture, disability and ability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, immigration status, marital status, political ideology, race, religion/spirituality, sex, sexual orientation, and tribal sovereign status. Advanced practice social workers recognize that, as a consequence of difference, a person’s life experiences may include oppression, poverty, marginalization, and alienation, as well as privilege, power, and acclaim, and apply this recognition in their practice. They also demonstrate in practice their understanding of the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination, and a recognition of the extent to which a culture’s structures and values, including social, economic, political, and cultural exclusions, may oppress, marginalize, alienate, or create privilege and power.

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<td>Demonstrate and communicate a recognition and understanding of the important role that diversity plays in shaping life experiences at the micro, mezzo, and macro levels of practice in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Present oneself as a learner to clients and constituencies, and engage them as experts of their own culture and experience in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Exercise continual self-reflection and self-awareness in order to understand personal values, beliefs and biases regarding diversity, and the potential role they may play in working with diverse clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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Competency 2.1.3
Advance Human Rights and Social, Economic, and Environmental Justice.
Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate in a focus area an understanding that every person regardless of position in society has fundamental human rights such as freedom, safety, privacy, an adequate standard of living, health care, and education. Advanced generalist social workers incorporate in practice an understanding of the global interconnections of oppression and human rights violations, and knowledgeable about theories of human need and social justice and strategies to promote social and economic justice and human rights. Advanced generalist social workers employ strategies designed to eliminate oppressive structural barriers to ensure that social goods, rights, and responsibilities are distributed equitably and that civil, political, environmental, economic, social, and cultural human rights are protected.

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<td>Demonstrate advanced knowledge and understanding of social, economic, and environmental justice necessary to advocate for human rights at the micro, mezzo, and macro levels of practice in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Assess how mechanisms of oppression and discrimination impact clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Engage in practices of advocacy and social change that advance social, economic and environmental justice for clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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Agency Supervisor Comments:
Competency 2.1.4
Engage In Practice-informed Research and Research-informed Practice.
Advanced Generalist social workers understand and apply quantitative and qualitative research methods to advance the science of social work and practice in a focus area. They know and apply the principles of logic, scientific inquiry and culturally informed and ethical approaches to building knowledge in a focus area. Advanced Generalist social workers understand and demonstrate that evidence informed practice derives from multi-disciplinary sources and multiple ways of knowing, demonstrate the processes for translating research findings into a focus area of practice.

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<td>Use practice experience and theory to inform social work interventions in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Autonomously apply critical thinking in analysis of research methods and research findings to inform practice.</td>
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<td>Disseminate research evidence to diverse groups to inform and improve practice, policy and service delivery in a focus area.</td>
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Competency 2.1.5
Engage in Policy Practice.
Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate a developed understanding that human rights, social justice, social welfare and services in a focus area are mediated by policy and its implementation at the federal, state, and local levels. They understand the history and current structures of social policies and services in a focus area, the role of policy in service delivery, and the role of practice in policy development in a focus area. Advanced Generalist social workers understand, demonstrate, and engage policy development and implementation within a focus area practice setting at the micro, mezzo, and macro levels to affect change within those settings. They recognize and understand the historical, social, cultural, economic, organizational, environmental, and global influences that affect social policy in a focus area. They also demonstrate advanced levels of knowledge about policy formulation, analysis, implementation, and evaluation in a focus area.

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<td>Demonstrate knowledge of social policies at the local, state and federal level that impact well-being, service delivery, and access to social services in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Autonomously assess how social welfare and economic policies impact the delivery of and access to social services in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Apply advanced critical thinking to analyze, formulate, and advocate for policies.</td>
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### Competency 2.1.6
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<td>Employ diverse strategies based on a demonstrated in-depth knowledge of human behavior and the social environment, person-in-environment, and other multidisciplinary theoretical frameworks to engage with clients and constituencies across all levels of practice in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Autonomously use empathy, reflection and advanced level interpersonal skills to effectively engage diverse clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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Competency 2.1.7
Assess Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities.
Advanced Generalist social workers independently engage and apply their understanding of theories of human behavior and the social environment in the ongoing assessment of diverse individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities in a focus area. They engage in inter-professional collaboration and utilize methods of assessment appropriate to a focus area to advance practice effectiveness. Advanced Generalist social workers demonstrate an understanding of how their personal experiences and affective reactions may affect their assessment and decision-making.

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<td>Independently collect and organize data, and effectively apply critical thinking to interpret information from clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Employ knowledge of human behavior and the social environment, person-in-environment, and other multidisciplinary theoretical frameworks to critically analyze assessment data from clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Collaborate in developing mutually agreed-on intervention goals and objectives based on the critical assessment of strengths, needs and challenges within clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Effectively utilize the assessment, research knowledge, and values and preferences of clients and constituencies to determine a range of potentially effective and appropriate intervention strategies to improve practice outcomes in a focus area.</td>
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**Competency 2.1.8**

**Intervene with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities.**

Advanced Generalist social workers recognize and understand intervention is an ongoing component of the dynamic and interactive process of social work practice with, and on behalf of, diverse individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities. They independently identify, analyze and implement evidence-informed interventions to achieve the goals of clients and constituencies in a focus area. Advanced Generalist social workers incorporate their knowledge of theories of human behavior and the social environment when selecting and implementing interventions in a focus area. They also engage in interdisciplinary, inter-professional, and inter-organizational collaboration as appropriate, in evaluating and implementing interventions.

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<td>Implement interventions at different levels, with and on behalf of individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities, to achieve desired practice outcomes in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Independently apply knowledge of human behavior and the social environment, person-in-environment, and other multidisciplinary theoretical frameworks to evaluate and choose methods of intervention most appropriate to a focus area.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate advanced skill in inter-professional collaboration as appropriate to achieve beneficial practice outcomes in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Employ diverse strategies to negotiate, mediate and advocate with and on behalf of diverse clients and constituencies in a focus area.</td>
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**Competency 2.1.9**

**Evaluate Practice with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities.**

Advanced Generalist social workers recognize the importance of ongoing evaluation in the dynamic and interactive process of social work practice with, and on behalf of, diverse individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities. They are knowledgeable about various methods of evaluating outcomes and practice effectiveness in a focus area and incorporate their knowledge of theories of human behavior and the social environment when evaluating outcomes. Advanced Generalist social workers employ qualitative and quantitative methods as appropriate for evaluating outcomes and practice effectiveness in a focus area.

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<td>Demonstrate the ability to use appropriate methods to evaluate practice and outcomes in a focus area.</td>
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<td>Apply research skills to analyze, monitor and evaluate interventions, outcomes and program processes in a focus area</td>
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V. Field Hours and Supervision: A total of 320 hours of field education is required per semester. The total is accomplished by student participation in the integrated field seminar and field experience to be completed each semester at the placement setting. Students and supervisors should schedule at least one hour each week for review of student progress.

VI. Supervisor/Student Plan Schedule

VII. Self-Care Plan

VIII. Field Faculty Notes from Final Spring Evaluation

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