

Social Work

SWK 101

Change Agents..... 3.00 credits

The purpose of this course is to provide an overview of professional social work. Students will examine the history and current state of the profession. Social work values, ethics, and principles will be introduced along with generalist practice concepts and intervention methods. Students will explore various social work career opportunities, practice settings, and special populations. Students will also understand key social welfare concepts and the influence of policy on practice and populations served with an emphasis on empowerment and human diversity. (Formerly titled: Introduction to Social Work)

SWK 110

Superhero Within..... 3.00 credits

This course examines the characteristics and history of social welfare and policies. Students engage will in major social policies in its development and implementation. Strategies for changing policies with a focus on social, environmental, and economic justice is emphasized. These strategies will reinforce to students their role as leaders and change agents within social welfare. (Formerly titled: History of Social Welfare)

SWK 115

Learning and Understanding You..... 3.00 credits

This course examines the phenomena of power, privilege and oppression and their effect on individuals, families, and communities in the context of the values of social and economic justice within the social work profession. This course is intended to increase awareness of the intersectionality of multiple oppressions with a focus on race/ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status, and sexual orientation. Students will gain a self-awareness to identify the influence of personal biases and values that impact practice with diverse groups. Through this awareness they will understand their role as leaders and change agents when working with diverse populations. (Formerly titled: Difference, Diversity, Privilege)

SWK 220

Health Inequities..... 3.00 credits

The purpose of this course is to teach students about the relationship between health inequity, oppression and discrimination across economic groups, races/ethnicities, and gender identification. Additionally, this course will focus on social workers as agents of change, and present models of action to address health inequities amongst populations at risk. Pre-requisites: none

SWK 225

Evolution of Change..... 3.00 credits

This first course in the human behavior sequence studies the bio-psycho-social, cultural, and spiritual influences on the life cycle from pre-birth through adolescence. The content will emphasize on understanding the interactions between individuals, groups, institutions and communities and their environments from various perspectives including systems, ecological, strengths, diversity, and human development. This course will allow students to understand how to engage from a change agent/leader perspective. (Formerly:SWK 320: Human Behavior Social Environment 1). Prerequisites: SWK 101 and SWK 110.

SWK 226

Evolution of Transformers..... 3.00 credits

The second course in the human behavior sequence continues the examination of the bio-psycho-social, cultural, and spiritual influences on the life cycle from late adolescence/early adulthood through old age and death. The content will emphasize on understanding the interactions between individuals, groups, institutions and communities and their environments from various perspectives including a system, ecological, strengths, diversity, and human development. This course will allow students to understand how to engage from a change agent/leader perspective. (Formerly:SWK 321: Human Behavior Social Environment 2). Prerequisites: SWK 101, SWK 110, SWK 225, and acceptance into SWK Program