

# Fall 2021

Course & Session Number	SOWK 612.06 S03	Classroom	Blended
Course Name	Aging in Place		
Day(s) & Time	<ol> <li>Weekly Zoom sessions: Wed 6:30 – 8:30pm Oct 20 &amp; 27, Nov 3, 17 &amp; 24, Dec 1 &amp; 8</li> <li>Weekly asynchronous learning</li> <li>Face to face residency: Nov 19 (6pm-9pm), Nov 20 &amp; 21 (9am-4pm) (see schedule for locations)</li> </ol>		
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# SYLLABUS STATEMENT

Examines multiple social work theories, models, and approaches to clinical practice. Clinical social work practice is situated within historical, economic, political, social and cultural contexts. Critical perspectives, issues of power and intersectionality are discussed in relation to contemporary issues.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

In this course, we will explore theory, research, practice and policy relevant to understanding the role of 'place' in providing care to older adults. We will critically analyze theory, legislation, policies, and ethical issues as a foundation for advancing our understanding of aging in place. These learnings will be integrated with research evidence to explore place-based assessments and interventions (e.g., social determinants of health, aging in the right place, harm reduction). Using practice-based activities, we will apply these learnings to diverse older adult populations residing in housing contexts across the continuum of care (e.g., supportive housing, dementia villages, independent living, homeless shelters).

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion of the Post-baccalaureate Certificate in Clinical Gerontology Social Work Practice, students will be able to:

- 1. Critically assess the historical, political and social context of clinical gerontological social work practice.
- 2. Articulate a holistic understanding of clinical gerontological social work practice.

- 3. Explain and apply multiple social work theories and approaches to clinical gerontological social work practice.
- 4. Identify and situate themselves within the critical perspective and contemporary issues surrounding clinical gerontological social work practice.
- 5. Articulate a broader and deeper understanding of clinical social work practice that is evidencebased and anti-oppressive and apply modalities for supporting and helping older adults.
- 6. Describe and apply assessment tools and intervention strategies relevant to clinical social work practice with older adults.
- 7. Integrate social work theories, models, and approaches into their clinical gerontological social work practice.
- 8. Apply evidence-based and anti-oppressive modalities towards supporting and helping older adults.
- 9. Use assessment tools and treatment intervention strategies relevant to clinical social work practice with older adults.
- 10. Utilize a holistic approach, from diagnosis to treatment, in their clinical social work practice with older adults.
- 11. Situate themselves and articulate their position within the critical perspective and contemporary issues and current research debates surrounding clinical gerontological social work practice.
- 12. Develop an evidence-based and anti-oppressive clinical gerontological practice model grounded in theory, research and best/promising practices.
- 13. Develop a personal ethical framework to guide their clinical gerontological social work practice, including attending to self-care.

# LEARNING RESOURCES

## **REQUIRED READINGS & RESOURCES**

## Week 1

- Burns, V. F., St-Denis, N., Walsh, C. A., & Hewson, J. (2020). Creating a sense of place after homelessness: We are not "Ready for the Shelf." *Journal of Aging and Environment*, *0*(0), 1– 15. <u>https://doi.org/10.1080/26892618.2020.1858382</u> https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1080/26892618.2020.1858382
- Chaudhury, H., & Oswald, F. (2019). Advancing understanding of person-environment interaction in later life: One step further. *Journal of Aging Studies, 51*. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaging.2019.100821</u> <u>https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1016/j.jaging.2019.100821</u>

Blog: Golant, S. (2020). Aging in place- or trapped in place. *newgeography* <u>https://www.newgeography.com/content/006543-aging-place-or-trapped-place</u>

Podcast: Aging In The Right Place with Dr. Sarah Canham, Original Article from: McMaster Institute of Health Equity <u>https://www.sfu.ca/airp/news-events/podcasts/aging-in-the-right-place-with-sarah-canham--phd.html</u>

Podcast: Dr. Debi Lynes interviews Dr. Stephen Golant about aging in the right place

(https://aginginplacepodcast.files.wordpress.com/2020/06/stephan\_golant.mp3 (34.35 min.) Week 2

Dalmer, N. K., (2019). A logic of choice: Problematizing the documentary reality of Canadian aging in place policies, *Journal of Aging Studies, 48*, 40-49. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaging.2019.01.002</u> https://www-sciencedirect-com.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/science/article/pii/S0890406518303487

Documentary: Beyond Housing June 26, 2019 (30 min) https://youtu.be/hgW4Whzn9VY

## Week 3

Ayano, G., Belete, A., Duko, B., Tsegay, L., & Dachew, B.A. (2021). Systematic review and meta-analysis of the prevalence of depressive symptoms, dysthymia and major depressive disorders among homeless people. *BMJ Open, 23*;11(2):e040061. doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2020-040061. https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/11/2/e040061

Podcast: Homeless healthcare with Stefan Kertesz – Nora Taranto (May 28, 2020)(106.18 min) <u>https://thecurbsiders.com/podcast/216</u>

Podcast: Understanding the Health Effects of Homelessness - Dr. Margot Kushel (Aug 5, 2019) (28 min) https://podcasts.google.com/feed/aHR0cHM6Ly9mZWVkcy5zaW1wbGVjYXN0LmNvbS9FMHhUZGRHSw /episode/N2JkNTY5YTktNWM5NS00NGQwLTk2M2ItODA5MWNIMWVmY2Qw?hl=en-CA&ved=2ahUKEwjZ6Nq9yO3wAhVWVs0KHa2cCK0QjrkEegQIBRAL&ep=6

## Week 4

 Sudore, R. L., Cuervo, I. A., Tieu, L., Guzman, D., Kaplan L. M., & Kushel , M. (2018). Advance Care Planning for older homeless-experienced adults: Results from the Health Outcomes of People Experiencing Homelessness in Older Middle Age Study. *Journal of the American Geriatric Society*. 66(6):1068-1074. doi: 10.1111/jgs.15417 https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1111/jgs.15417

## **Residency**

Video: Canadian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse. (June 8, 2020) (102.17 min). The Canadian Centre for Elder Law Practical Guide to Elder Abuse and Neglect Law in Canada <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ugz7ZdXw\_DY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ugz7ZdXw\_DY</a>

Video: CREGÉS Conference | The Art Hive as a Frame of Belonging for Older Adults. \*Presented with engAGE - Concordia University's Centre for Research on Aging (Dec 15, 2020) (48.31 min) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GLtJBVFtXQQ

Video: Demystifying Medicine. Art therapy: A potential treatment for dementia (Nov 11, 2018) (5.20 min.)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ro\_xTd-Ugzw

Elder Abuse Awareness <a href="https://caryacalgary.ca/our-programs/older-adults/elder-abuse-awareness/">https://caryacalgary.ca/our-programs/older-adults/elder-abuse-awareness/</a>

- Fortune, D., Aubin, G., Timm-Bottos J., & Hebblethwaite, S. (2021) The Art Hive as a 'frame of belonging' for older adults, *Leisure/Loisir*, *45*(3), 459-480, DOI: 10.1080/14927713.2021.1886867 https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1080/14927713.2021.1886867
- Kwan, C. & Tam, H. C., (2021). Ageing in place in disaster prone rural coastal communities: A case study of Tai O village in Hong Kong. *Sustainability*, 13(9), 4618. https://doi.org/10.3390/su13094618
- Kwan, C., & Walsh, C. A (2017). Seniors' disaster resilience: A scoping review of the literature. International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction, 25, 259-273. Doi: 10.1016/j.ijdrr.2017.09.010 https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1016/j.ijdrr.2017.09.010
- McDonald, L. (2018). The mistreatment of older Canadians: Findings from the 2015 national prevalence study. *Journal of Elder Abuse & Neglect, 30*(3), 176-208. DOI: 10.1080/08946566.2018.1452657 <u>https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1080/08946566.2018.1452657</u>

Roger, K., Goodridge, D., & Walsh, C. A. June 15, 2021 (3.30 min) Who should I tell? (Elder Abuse Awareness)

Walsh, C. A. et al. (submitted for publication). Barriers and facilitators of abuse disclosure of older adults in Alberta.

## Week 5

Smith-MacDonald, L., Venturato, L., Hunter, P., Kaasalainen, S., Sussman, T., McCleary, L., Thompson, G., Wickson-Griffiths, A., & Sinclair, S. (2019). Perspectives and experiences of compassion in longterm care facilities within Canada: A qualitative study of patients, family members and health care providers. *BMC geriatrics*, 19(1), 128. <u>https://doi.org/10.1186/s12877-019-1135-x</u>

Film: Sòl - Valérie Bah & Tatiana Zinga Botao (2020, 8 min) https://www.nfb.ca/film/sol-en/

Film: The Vigil - Christine Chevarie-Lessard (2020, 8 min) https://www.nfb.ca/film/vigil/

Podcast: The Challenges of Moving Into Long-Term Care With Dr. Tamara Sussman (36.52 min) Original Article from: <u>McMaster Institute of Health Equity</u> <u>https://www.sfu.ca/airp/news-events/podcasts/the-challenges-of-moving-into-long-term-care-with-dr--tamara-sus.html</u>

## LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES AND REQUIREMENTS

A D2L site is set up for this course which contains required readings and other relevant class resources and materials. A laptop, desktop or mobile device with Internet access, microphone and speaker is required for D2L and Zoom access.

## **RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER COURSES**

This is the second of four required courses in the Clinical Gerontology Practice Certificate. It is a prerequisite for the third course in this certificate.

## CLASS SCHEDULE

Please note that the University of Calgary recognizes Thursday, September 30, 2021, as the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. This is a federal holiday. University operations are closed on this day

This course will include a combination of:

- 1) weekly synchronous (real-time) online instruction using Zoom,
- 2) weekly asynchronous (scheduled by the student) online learning, and
- 3) a weekend face to face, on-campus residency.

Date	Торіс	Required readings/resources, guests & assignment due dates
Week 1: Synchronous – Zoom Wed Oct 20 6:30 – 8:30pm	Overview Place-Making Homelessness in Older Age	Readings: Burns et al. (2020) and Chaudhury & Oswald (2019) Guest Speaker: Dr. Victoria Burns, FSW, University of Calgary (Setting the Stage for AIRP)
Week 1: Asynchronous learning		Blog: Golant Podcast: Lynes Podcast: Canham
Week 2: Synchronous – Zoom Wed Oct 27 6:30 – 8:30pm	Diversity of Older Populations	Reading: Dalmer (2019) Panel and Breakout Room Conversations with Older Adults: Yvonne Ironbow , Laura F. Pearce, Ann Cartridge, & Hilary Chapple
Week 2: Asynchronous learning		Documentary: Beyond Housing
Week 3: Synchronous – Zoom Wed Nov 3 6:30 – 8:30pm	Health and social needs of older adults	Reading: Ayano et al. (2021) Guest speaker: Dr. Lara Nixon, Faculty of Community Health Science, University of Calgary (Health Implications of AIRP)
Week 3: Asynchronous learning		Podcast: Kushel Podcast: Taranto

No class Wed Nov 10 - Term Break			
Week 4: Synchronous – Zoom Wed Nov 17 6:30 – 8:30pm Note: no asynchronous learning this week	Aging in the Right Place Across the Aging Continuum	Reading: Sudore et al. (2018) Guest speakers: Dr. Simon Colgan and Dan Grover, RN, Calgary Allied Mobile Palliative Program (Palliative Care)	
Residency: Face to face Fri Nov 19 6:00pm – 9:00pm U of C, Calgary, Rm SA124	Aging in the Right Place Across Global Contexts	Readings: Kwan & Tam (2021) and Kwan & Walsh (2017)	
		Guest Speakers: International Panel Older Adults in Disasters Dr. Crystal Kwan Department of Applied Social Sciences, The Hong King Polytechnic University; Dr. Justin Nicholas, Department of Social Work, University of the Philippines	
Residency: Face to face Sat Nov 20 9:00am – 4:00pm The James House (TBD) 14 St NW @ 2 Av NW, Calgary <u>https://www.thejameshouse.c</u> <u>a</u>	9:00-12:00 AIP Community Context: Research Presentation, Community Tour Connecting with Residents 1:00-4:00 Group Work in The Central Library or other location	Reading: Fortune et al. (2021)	
Residency: Face to face Sun No 21 9:00am – 4:00pm Kerby Centre 1133 7 Ave SW, Calgary <u>www.kerbycentre.com</u>	9:00-12:00 Lecture: Abuse of older adults Research presentation Environmental Audit Photovoice Exhibit	Readings: McDonald (2018) and Walsh et al. (submitted for publication)	
	1:00-4:00 Group work in The Central Library or other location		
Week 5: Synchronous – Zoom Wed Nov 24 6:30 – 8:30pm	Aging in the Right Place Across the Housing Continuum	Reading: Smith-MacDonald et al. (2019)	

		Guest speaker: Dr. Tamara Susman, Faculty of Social Work, McGill University (Aging in long term care settings)
		Assignment 1 due
Week 5: Asynchronous		Film: The Vigil
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C		Podcast: Sussman
Week 6: Synchronous – Zoom Wed Dec 1 6:30 – 8:30pm	Individual presentations	Assignment 2 due
Note: no asynchronous work this week		
Week 7: Synchronous – Zoom	Group presentations	Assignment 3 due
Wed Dec 8 6:30 – 8:30pm	Course wrap-up	
Note: no asynchronous work this week		

## ADDITIONAL CLASSROOM CONDUCT AND RELATED INFORMATION

#### EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION AND RECONCILIATION

The Faculty of Social Work (FSW) is committed to promoting and actualizing equity, diversity, inclusion and reconciliation. We affirm that diversity and differences are enriching and valuable, and that they can strengthen our teaching, learning, research, and community connections. We aim to foster an inclusive, thriving environment for our students, staff, postdoctoral fellows, and community members. We acknowledge systemic inequities and compounded disadvantages due to intersectionality of social locations particularly for those who are members of the racialized, Indigenous peoples, disability and 2SLGBTQ+ communities, as well as those who have experienced socioeconomic, caregiving, religious, cultural barriers to their education. We recognize, honour and integrate into our work diverse perspectives, experiences, and strengths. <a href="https://socialwork.ucalgary.ca/about/about-faculty/equity-diversity-and-inclusion">https://socialwork.ucalgary.ca/about/about-faculty/equity-diversity-and-inclusion</a>

#### **GUIDELINES FOR ZOOM SESSIONS IN ONLINE CLASSES**

Students are expected to participate actively in all Zoom sessions. If you are unable to attend a Zoom session, please contact your instructor to arrange an alternative activity for the missed session (e.g., to review a recorded session) for your best learning experiences. Please be prepared, as best as you are able, to join class in a quiet space that will allow you to be fully present and engaged in Zoom sessions. Students will be advised by their instructor when they are expected, if they are able, to turn on their

webcam (for group work, presentations, etc.). All students are expected to behave in a professional manner during the session.

#### MEDIA RECORDING FOR ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT LEARNING

The instructor may use media recordings as part of the assessment of students. This may include but is not limited to classroom discussions, presentations, clinical practice, or skills testing that occur during the course. These recordings will be used for student assessment purposes only and will not be shared or used for any other purpose.

#### ZOOM RECORDINGS OF ONLINE CLASSES

The instructor may record online Zoom class sessions for the purposes of supporting student learning in this class – such as making the recording available for review of the session or for students who miss a session. Students will be advised before the instructor initiates a recording of a Zoom session. These recordings will be used to support student learning only and will not be shared or used for any other purpose.

## **ASSESSMENT COMPONENTS**

Assignment details and assessment rubrics will be posted in D2L. See the "Additional Suggested Readings" section for resources related to each assignment.

# Assignment 1: Blog Post - 500-800 words on a current issue related to Aging in Place or Aging in the Right Place

Due: November 24, 2021 Worth: 30% Learning Outcomes: 4, 5, 11

#### Assignment: Dwelling/Community Tour and Photo Assessment and Presentation

Worth: 40% Due: December 1, 2021 Learning Outcomes: 5, 6, 7, 9, 12

#### Assignment 3: Group presentation analysis of AIP Case Assessment and Application

Worth: 30% Due: December 8, 2021 Learning Outcomes: 3, 5, 7, 11

## ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION INFORMATION

#### ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION EXPECTATIONS

Students are expected to be present and fully engaged in each class activities and discussions. Students should consult with the instructors if they are unable to attend a class or miss a portion of the class. In these cases, it is expected that students will watch the Zoom recording for the missed class.

## **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING ASSIGNMENTS**

Submit all assignments electronically through their respective dropbox in D2L. Assignments may be submitted in Word or PDF format. Assignments should have a file name as follows: "Full name and assignment number" (e.g., Jane Smith Assignment 2). Assignments are due by 11:59pm on their due date. Please note that it is the student's responsibility to keep a copy of each submitted assignment and to ensure that the proper version is submitted.

## LATE ASSIGNMENTS

Late assignments will be accepted only in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the instructor.

## **EXPECTATIONS FOR WRITING**

All assignments will be assessed partly on writing skills. Writing skills include not only surface correctness (grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, etc.) but also general clarity and organization. Sources used in research papers must be properly documented and referenced in APA 7<sup>th</sup> edition format. If you need writing support, please connect with the Student Success Centre, at: <u>https://www.ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/writing-support</u>

## ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

It is expected that all work submitted in assignments is the student's own work, written expressly by the student for this particular course. Students are reminded that academic misconduct, including plagiarism, has serious consequences, as set out in the University Calendar: <a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html">http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html</a>

## GRADING

A student's final grade for the course is the sum of the separate assignments. It is not necessary to pass each assignment separately in order to pass the course.

The University of Calgary **Graduate Grading System** and Faculty of Social Work Percentage Conversion will be used.

Grade	Grade Point	Description	Percentage Range
A+	4.0	Outstanding	95-100
А	4.0	Excellent – superior performance, showing comprehensive understanding of subject matter	95-100

A-	3.7	Very Good Performance	90-94
B+	3.3	Good Performance	85-89
В	3.0	Satisfactory performance. <b>Note</b> : The grade point value (3.0) associated with this grade is the minimum acceptable <b>average</b> that a graduate student must maintain throughout the programme as computed at the end of each year of their program.	80-84
В-	2.7	Minimum pass for students in Graduate Studies. <b>Note</b> : Students who accumulate two grades of <b>"B-"</b> or lower can be required by the Faculty to withdraw from the programme regardless of the grade point average.	75-79
C+	2.3	All grades below "B-" are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted towards Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements.	70-74
С	2.00		65-69
C-	1.70		60-64
D+	1.30		55-59
D	1.00		50-54
F	0.00		Below 50

## **COURSE EVALUATION**

Student feedback will be sought at the end of the course through the standard University and Faculty of Social Work course evaluation forms. Students are welcome to discuss the process and content of the course at any time with the instructor.

## ADDITIONAL SUGGESTED READINGS

Akesson, B., Burns, V., & Hordyk, S.-R. (2017). The place of place in social work: Rethinking the personin-environment model in social work education and practice. *Journal of Social Work Education*, 53(3), 372–383. <u>https://doi.org/10.1080/10437797.2016.1272512</u>

Burns, V. F. (2016). Oscillating in and out of place: Experiences of older adults residing in homeless shelters in Montreal, Quebec. *Journal of Aging Studies, 39*, 11-20. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaging.2016.08.001</u> <u>https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1016/j.jaging.2016.08.001</u>

Hulko, W., Brotman, S., Stern, L., & Ferrer, I. (2020). Gerontological social work in action: Anti-oppressive

practice with older adults, their families, and communities. Routledge.

Youdin, R. (2014). Clinical gerontological social work practice. Springer.

#### **Resources for Assignment 1:**

How to write an op-ed with Dr. Susan Mintzberg- link to AIRP website will be posted in D2L

Blog: Aging – and moving around – in the right place March 30, 2021, Dr. Rachel Weldrick <a href="https://www.sfu.ca/airp/news-events/blog/aging-and-moving-around-in-the-right-place.html">https://www.sfu.ca/airp/news-events/blog/aging-and-moving-around-in-the-right-place.html</a>

Blog: SHEN-ANNE-IGANS. June 27, 2021, Jill Hoselton <u>https://www.sfu.ca/airp/news-events/blog/shen-anne-igans.html</u>

Blog: Aging in the right place for LGBTQ2S+ Older Adults, June 27, 2021, Amber Dukart, https://www.sfu.ca/airp/news-events/blog/aging-in-the-right-place-for-lgbtq2s--older-adults.html

#### **Resources for Assignment 2:**

- Brorsson, A., Öhman, A., Lundberg, S., Cutchin, M. P., & Nygård, L. (2020). How accessible are grocery shops for people with dementia? A qualitative study using photo documentation and focus group interviews. *Dementia*, 19(6), 1872-1888. <u>https://doiorg.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1177%2F1471301218808591</u>
- Brorsson, A., Öhman, A., Lundberg, S., & Nygård, L. (2016). Being a pedestrian with dementia: A qualitative study using photo documentation and focus group interviews. *Dementia*, *15*(5), 1124-1140. https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1177%2F1471301214555406
- Mazer, K. M., & Rankin, K. N. (2011). The social space of gentrification: The politics of neighbourhood accessibility in Toronto's Downtown West. *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space, 29*(5), 822-839. https://doi-org.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/10.1068%2Fd7109
- Stadler, J., Dugmore, C., Venables, E., MacPhail, C., & Delany-Moretlwe, S. (2013). Cognitive mapping: using local knowledge for planning health research. *BMC Medical Research Methodology*, 13(1), 1-13. <u>https://bmcmedresmethodol.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/1471-2288-13-96</u>
- Suchar, C. S. (1997). Grounding visual sociology research in shooting scripts. *Qualitative Sociology*, 20(1), 33-55. https://link-springer-com.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/article/10.1023/A:1024712230783
- White, R. J., & Green, A. E. (2012). The use of mental maps in youth research: Some evidence from research exploring young people's awareness of and attachment to place. In *Innovations in youth research* (pp. 58-76). Palgrave Macmillan, London.

## **Resources for Assignment 3:**

Forum of Federal/Provincial/Territorial (F/P/T) Ministers Responsible for Seniors (2015). Thinking About

Your Future? Plan Now to Age in Place. Retrieved

<u>https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/canada/employment-social-</u> development/corporate/seniors/forum/aging-checklist/aging-checklist-seniors-EN.pdf

Karlin, N.J., & Weil, J. (2017). Healthy aging in a global context: Comparing six countries. *Ageing International, 42*, 1–22. <u>https://doi.org/10.1007/s12126-016-9274-2</u> https://link-springercom.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/article/10.1007/s12126-016-9274-2

Luciano, A., & Pascale, F., Polverino, F., & Pooley, A., (2020). Measuring age-friendly housing: A framework. *Sustainability, 12*(3), 1-35. https://doaj.org/article/066a5159ed1a4e8a94129e6ce4f0ee14

Pruchno, R., (2018). Aging in context. *The Gerontologist, 58(1)*, 1-3. https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnx189

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY POLICIES AND SUPPORTS

## **PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT**

As members of the University community, students and staff are expected to demonstrate conduct that is consistent with the University of Calgary Calendar

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Students and staff are also expected to demonstrate professional behaviour in class that promotes and maintains a positive and productive learning environment. Consistent with the aims of the Social Work Program and the University of Calgary, all students and staff are expected to respect, appreciate, and encourage expression of diverse world views and perspectives; to offer their fellow community members unconditional respect and constructive feedback; and to contribute to building learning communities that promote individual and collective professional and personal growth. While critical thought and debate is valued in response to concepts and opinions shared in class, feedback must always be focused on the ideas or opinions shared and not on the person who has stated them.

Students and staff are expected to model behaviour in class that is consistent with our professional values and ethics, as outlined in the Canadian Association for Social Workers, Code of Ethics (2005) and the Alberta College of Social Work Standards of Practice (2019). Both can be found online at: <a href="https://acsw.ab.ca/site/practice-resources?nav=sidebar">https://acsw.ab.ca/site/practice-resources?nav=sidebar</a>

## ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures. Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services (SAS). SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit <u>www.ucalgary.ca/access/</u>. Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor. The full policy on Student

Accommodations is available <u>https://ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-</u> <u>Student-Accommodation-Policy.pdf</u>

# **RESEARCH ETHICS**

"If a student is interested in undertaking an assignment that will involve collecting information from members of the public, they should speak with the course instructor and consult the CFREB Ethics Website (<u>http://www.ucalgary.ca/research/researchers/ethics-compliance/cfreb</u>) before beginning the assignment.

# ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

For information on academic misconduct and its consequences, please see the University of Calgary Calendar at <u>http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html</u>

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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY

Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary.

## SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE POLICY

The University recognizes that all members of the University Community should be able to learn, work, teach and live in an environment where they are free from harassment, discrimination, and violence. The University of Calgary's sexual violence policy guides us in how we respond to incidents of sexual violence, including supports available to those who have experienced or witnessed sexual

violence, or those who are alleged to have committed sexual violence. It provides clear response procedures and timelines, defines complex concepts, and addresses incidents that occur off-campus in certain circumstances. Please see the policy available at

https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/sexual-and-gender-based-violence-policy

# OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please visit the Registrar's website at: <u>https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines</u> for additional important information on the following:

- Wellness and Mental Health Resources
- Student Success
- Student Ombuds Office
- Student Union (SU) Information
- Graduate Students' Association (GSA) Information