

# Welcome to the MSW Program!



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## Calgary Clinical Specialization:

- **Adult Mental Health & Addictions (AMH)**

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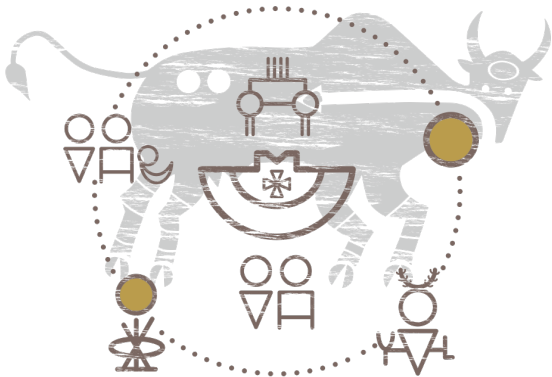
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# Land Acknowledgement

*Our students, staff and academic staff are located all across Canada, and other locations on Indigenous lands.*

*We acknowledge that what we call Alberta is the traditional and ancestral territory of many peoples, presently subject to Treaties 6, 7, and 8. Namely: the Blackfoot Confederacy – Kainai, Piikani, and Siksika – the Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Nakota Sioux, Stoney Nakoda, and the Tsuut'ina Nation and the Métis People of Alberta. This includes the Métis Settlements and the 22 districts of the Métis Nation of Alberta within the historical Northwest Metis Homeland.*

*We acknowledge the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit who have lived in and cared for these lands for generations. We are grateful for the traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders who are still with us today and those who have gone before us. We make this acknowledgement as an act of reconciliation and gratitude to those whose territory we reside on or are visiting.*



# Agenda

and Introductions of  
panel



Take a minute to reflect on the following:

What are you most looking forward to in the next year of your MSW journey?

What is one thing that worries or concerns you about the year ahead?

What is one thing you will do to support your own success in the program? To support the success of your classmates?

Embarking on your MSW Journey

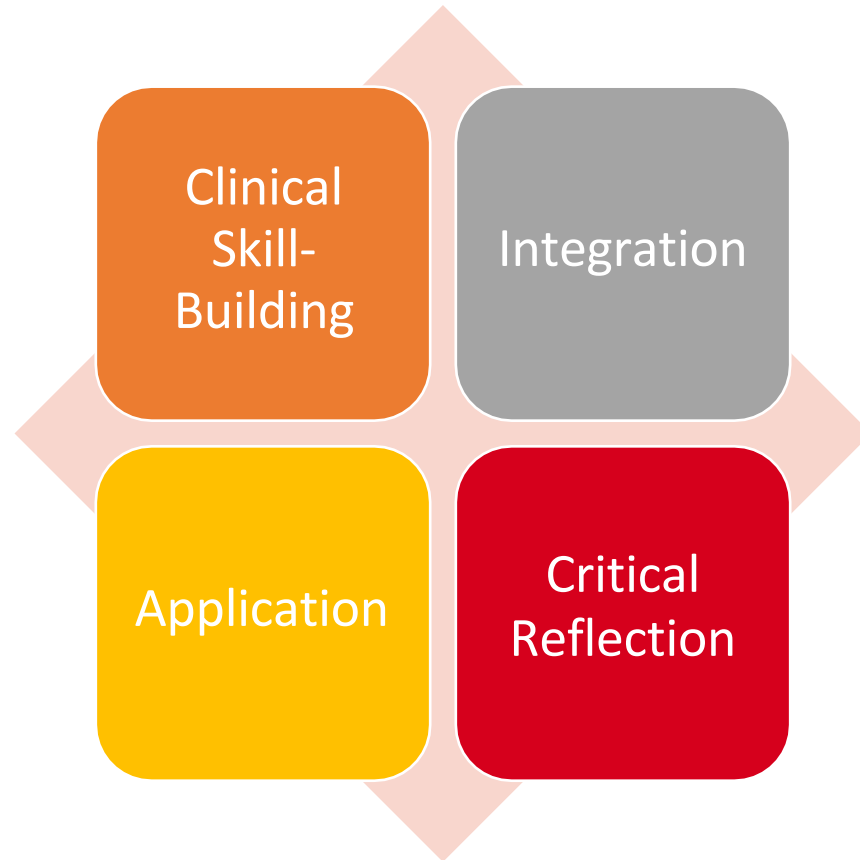
# Introductions

## In Small Groups:

- Introduce yourself to the people in your small group.
  - e.g., name, where you are, one thing about you
- Take some time to discuss the following questions you just reflected on
  - What you're looking forward to
  - What concerns or worries you
  - How you will support your own success and the success of your classmates



# Program Overview



# MSW Focus: Advanced Clinical Practice

# Twelve Courses in Three Clusters





# Clinical Social Work Practice Specialization

Spring/Summer

Advanced Social  
Work Practice

Fall/Winter

Specialization Courses

FIRE

- Course-based: 1 Year (12-months)
- Thesis route: research courses instead of FIRE, optional practicum, 24+ months

# Spring/Summer 2024

## Advanced Social Work Practice

### SOWK 600: Social Justice & Theory

- Yahya El-Lahib

### SOWK 602: Research and Philosophy

- Alysia Wright

### SOWK 604: Advanced Practice Theories

- David Irvine

### SOWK 606: Advanced Policy Practice

- TBA

# Fall 2024/Winter 2025

## Adult Mental Health & Addictions

### Fall Term: SOWK 630

- Clinical Social Work Practice in Mental Health & Addictions
- Instructor: Alan McLuckie

### Fall Term: SOWK 631

- Mental Health & Addiction Practice with Transitional Age Populations (18-25 Years)
- Instructor: TBA

### Winter Term: SOWK 634

- Mental Health & Addiction Practice with Diverse Populations and in Complex Contexts
- Instructor: TBA

### Winter Term: SOWK 635

- Mental Health & Addiction Practice with Adult Populations (26-64 Years)
- Instructor: TBA



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**Say hello to your  
student advisor!**

# Amy Fulton

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Practicum Introduction

# FIRE-Practicum and Seminar

The purpose of the practicum is to provide students with opportunities to **develop, integrate, and reinforce** social work **competence** through **supervised practice**.

The practicum promotes **integration of the theory and skills** students learn in the classroom with their professional practice and social work identity.

Regular, on-going supervision is critical in supporting the learning, skill development and professional growth of students in practicum.



# FIRE: Fall 2024 & Winter 2025

## Field Practicum, Integrative Seminar, Research Applications & Exit Requirement

### SOWK 660 Advanced Practicum

- 3 days per week (Mondays, Tuesdays, & Wednesdays)
- 500 hour minimum practicum over fall 2024 and winter 2025
- Practicum Coordination D2L site available
- IPT process – no proposal required
- Proposal deadline for ‘student-initiated search’ (including workplace practicum) and ‘self-directed’: June 19

### SOWK 662 Integrative Seminar

- Course scheduled for Friday afternoons - focus on practice process and content
- All (graded) assignments build towards helping you develop and articulate your sense of integration across all areas of social work
- You will work on this integration throughout the Integrative Seminar Course, culminating in a capstone assignment

# Field Education Manual – Please Review

Web link to the Field Education Manual:

(includes policies governing all MSW Practica offered  
by the Faculty of Social Work)

<https://socialwork.ucalgary.ca/field-education/policy-manual-other-documents>





# MSW Thesis Information Session

This session is for students admitted to the thesis-based MSW only. Meet the thesis coordinator and student advisors to discuss thesis requirements and procedures. You will have an opportunity to ask questions and connect with other MSW thesis students.

**Thursday, May 23, 2024**

**Noon – 1 pm**

**Zoom:** <https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/97968320790?pwd=MnJHSjBhUnUyVXZXRVJkdINPS256QT09>

# Thank You!

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Questions?



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