

Welcome to the MSW Program!



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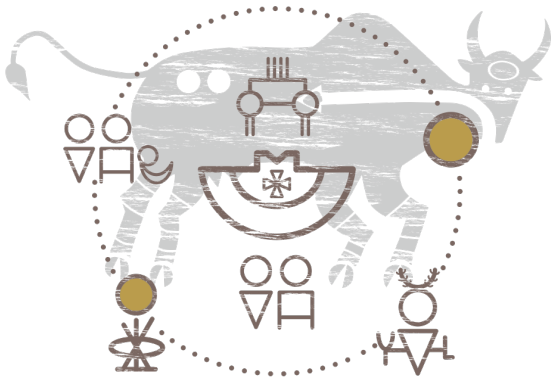
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Land Acknowledgement

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 panel introductions



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?

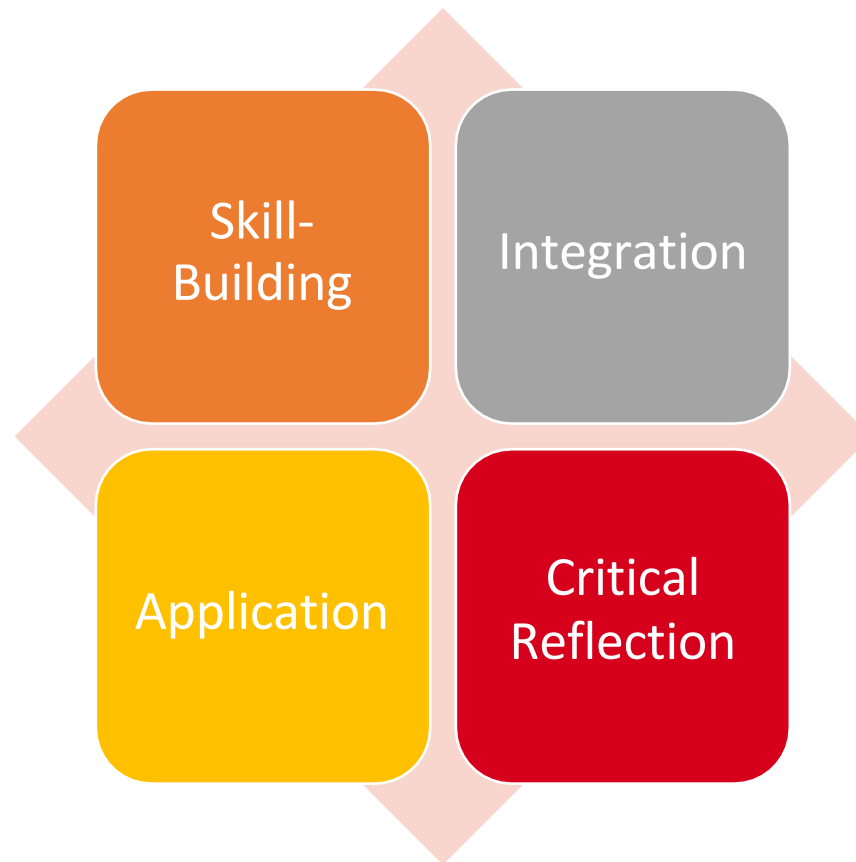
Embarking on your MSW Journey

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

MSW Program Overview



Spring & Summer 2024

SOWK 621 - History and Foundation of the Profession

- Rick Enns or Pat Samson

SOWK 629 – Professional Communication and Interviewing

- **Residency: June 4-7, 2024**
- Calgary campus: Ajwang Warria
- Edmonton campus: Gina Schmidt

SOWK 632 – Social Policy and Social Justice

- Jane Slessor or Alison Grittner

Fall 2024 & Winter 2025

Fall Term

- SOWK 625 – Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups
- SOWK 627 – Practice with Organizations and Communities
Virtual Residency: August 26-30, 2024 (*Block Week*)
- SOWK 637 – Human Behavior in the Environment
- SOWK 645 – Issues in SW Research

Winter Term

- SOWK 641 – Models of Practice
Virtual Residency: January 6-10, 2025 (*Block Week*)
- SOWK 633 – Foundational Field Practicum and Seminar (450 hours of practicum including 26 hours of seminar)
 - Carrie Blaug – Field Education Coordinator

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.



Program Overview: Specialization Years

Clinical Social Work Practice

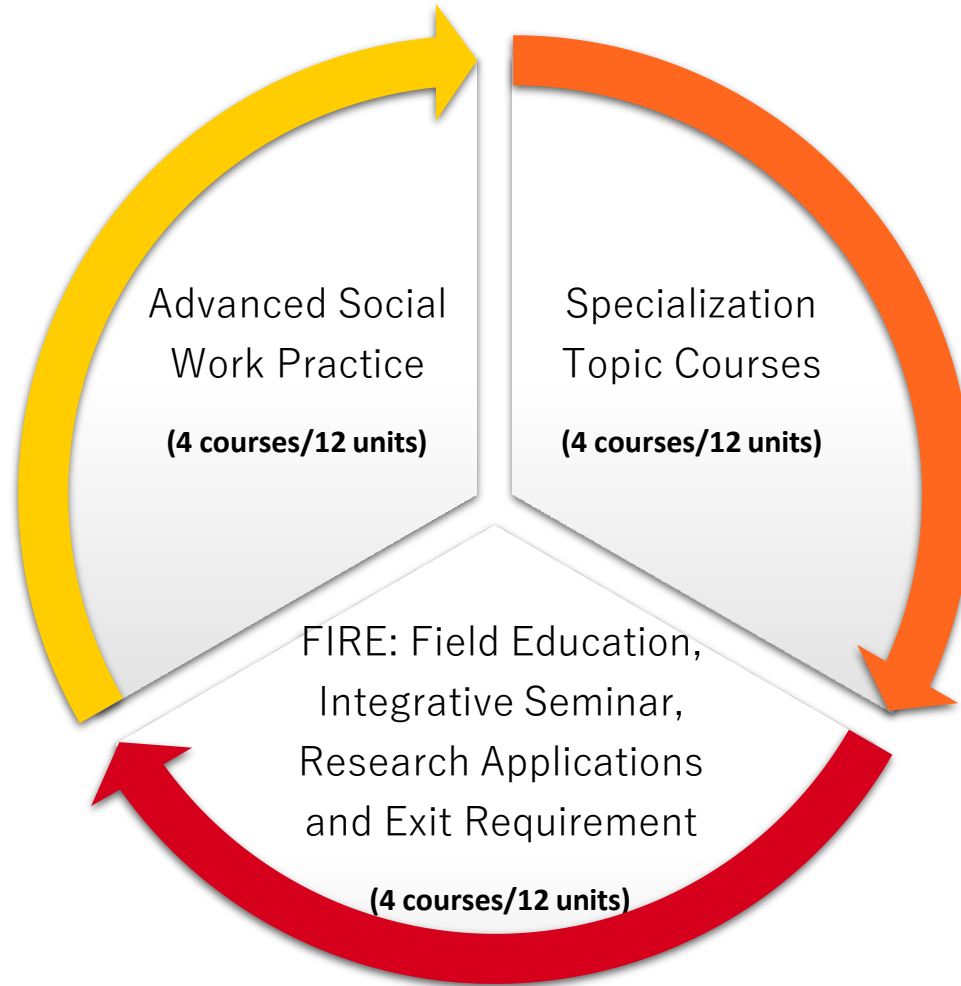
- Practice with Individuals, Families & Groups (Calgary residencies)
- Infant, Child and Adolescent Mental Health (Calgary residencies)
- Trauma-Informed Practice (Edmonton residencies)
- Community-Informed Practice for Health & Well-Being (Edmonton residencies)

Program Overview: Specialization Years

International & Community Development

- International Social Development (Calgary residencies)

Twelve Courses in Three Clusters



Specialization 2-year program:

Year 1: Spring/Summer & Fall 2024

Winter 2025

Advanced Social Work Practice

Specialization

Year 2: Spring/Summer 2025
2025/26

Fall 2025 & Winter 2026

Specialization

FIRE

- Course-based: 24-months following Foundation year, blended delivery (online with in-person residencies)
- Thesis route: 2 thesis courses instead of FIRE, thesis research and optional practicum in Year 3+

Spring/Summer/Fall 2025: Advanced Social Work Practice

Spring 2025: SOWK 600 Social Justice & Theory in Advanced SW Practice

Summer 2025: SOWK 602 Research & Philosophy in Advanced SW Practice

Fall 2025: SOWK 604 Advanced Practice Theories

Fall 2025: SOWK 606 Advanced Policy Practice

Winter/Spring/Summer 2026 Clinical Practice with Individuals, Families & Groups

Winter 2026: SOWK 601 Clinical Work with Individuals



Winter 2026: SOWK 603 Clinical Work with Families

Spring 2026: SOWK 605 Clinical Work with Groups

Summer 2026: SOWK 607 Clinical Work with other
Professionals

Winter/Spring/Summer 2026 Infant, Child & Adolescent Mental Health

Winter 2026: SOWK 650 Advanced Topics in Infant, Child & Adolescent Mental Health



Winter 2026: SOWK 652 Infant, Early Childhood (0-5 years) and Parental Mental Health in Complex Contexts

Spring 2026: SOWK 654 School-Aged Children (6-12 years) and Family Mental Health in Complex Contexts

Summer 2026: SOWK 656 Adolescent (13-18 years) Mental Health Across Complex Contexts

Winter/Spring/Summer 2026 Trauma-Informed Practice

Winter 2026: SOWK 611 Fundamentals of Trauma-Informed Practice




Winter 2026: SOWK 613 Trauma Impacts & Interventions Across the Lifespan

Spring 2026: SOWK 615 Trauma-Informed Practice with Indigenous People


Summer 2026: SOWK 617 Advanced Trauma Interventions in Diverse Contexts

Winter/Spring/Summer 2026 Community-Informed Practice for Health & Well-being

Winter 2026: SOWK 661 Theoretical and Philosophical Perspectives for Community-based Health and Wellness



Winter 2026: SOWK 663 Community-based Practice Models and Clinical Assessment for Community-based Health and Wellness



Spring 2026: SOWK 664 Community-based Health and Wellness Approaches I



Summer 2026: SOWK 668 Community-based Health and Wellness Approaches II

Winter/Spring/Summer 2026 International Social Development

Winter 2026: SOWK 674
International Social Development; Theories and
Interventions



Winter 2026: SOWK 676
International Social Work in Canada



Spring 2026: SOWK 678
Advanced Practice in Sustainable Development



Summer 2026: SOWK 680
Social Work & International Development Projects

Fall 2026/Winter 2027: FIRE!

Field Practicum, **I**ntegrative Seminar,
Research Applications & **E**xit Requirement

Carrie Blaug

Practicum Introduction
Winter 2025: SOWK 633



FIRE: Fall 2026 & Winter 2027

Field Practicum, Integrative Seminar, Research Applications & Exit Requirement

SOWK 660 Advanced Practicum

- 3 - 5 days per week (minimum 20 – maximum 40 hours per week)
- 500 hour-practicum in Fall 2026 and Winter 2027

SOWK 662 Integrative Seminar

- Focus on process and content
- All (graded) assignments build towards helping you develop and articulate your sense of integration across all areas of social work
- Integration and the exit requirement will be worked on throughout the Integrative Seminar course

**Say hello to your
student advisor!**

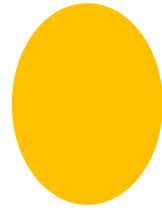
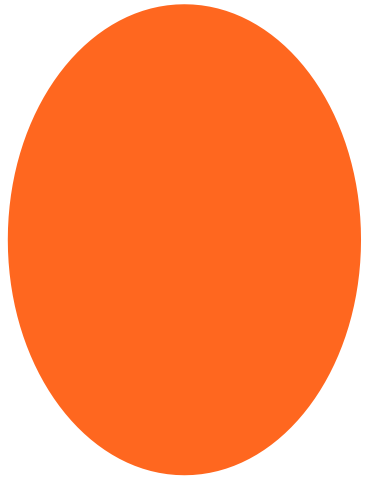
MSW Thesis Information Session

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! | Questions?

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