



# **Advanced Social Work Practice Certificate**

**Fall 2025 Orientation** 



#### **FSW Value Statements**

We **acknowledge** that we are all treaty people, and are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territories and historic homeland of the First Nations and Metis peoples of Treaty 6, 7, and 8.

We strongly **oppose and condemn** anti-Black and systemic racism, white supremacy and discrimination in all its forms. We seek to eliminate inequities experienced by Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, those who self-identify as LGBTQ, and all those who experience barriers to their education due socioeconomic, caregiving, religious, and cultural discrimination.

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- Welcome and Introductions
- Icebreaker
- Certificate Overview
- Certificate Delivery
- Academic Expectations
- Laddering Pathway
- Q & A





#### Welcome and Introductions

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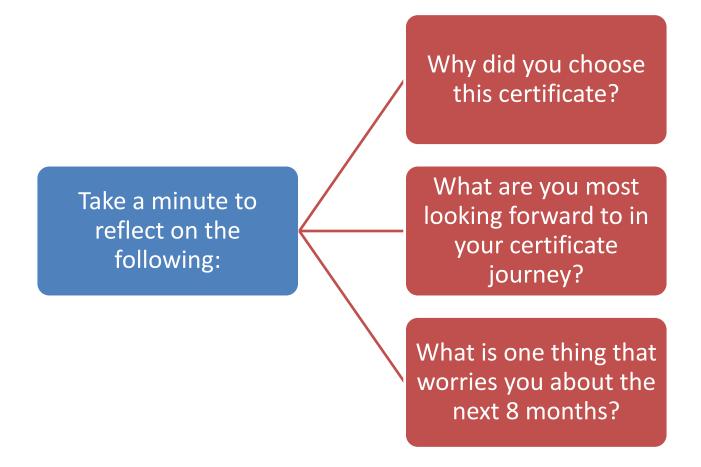
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#### **Embarking on your Graduate Certificate Journey**





- 4 courses over 8 months
  - 2 courses in Fall term
  - 2 courses in Winter term
  - Courses run sequentially
  - Must pass each course to move to the next course
- Blended learning
  - Synchronous and asynchronous learning
  - Scheduled class times: Tuesdays & Thursdays,5:30PM 8:30PM



## **Graduate Level Expectations**

- More than professional development
- Time commitment (weekly readings/prep, asynchronous learning activities & Zoom sessions plus assignments)
- Fixed deadlines for course completion
- Academic writing (Student Success Centre)
- Referencing (APA 7th edition)
- Academic misconduct



## **Graduate Level Expectations**

- B- (75-79%) is a minimum pass for students in graduate studies
- Students who accumulate two grades of B- or lower can be required by the Faculty to withdraw from the program
- Active engagement
- Self-directed inquiry
- Critical thinking, reflection & integration



# **ASWP CERT**





- SOWK 600: Social Justice & Theory in Advanced Social Work Practice
- Instructor: Stephanie Tyler
- E: <u>stephanie.tyler1@ucalgary.ca</u>
- Course dates: September 2 October 17
- Online Zoom: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5:30pm 8:30pm
- Last class Oct 15



- SOWK 602: Research and Philosophy in Advanced Social Work Practice
- Instructor: Rick Enns
- E: Enns@ucalgary.ca
- Course dates: October 20 December 5
- Online Zoom: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5:30pm 8:30pm



- SOWK 604: Advanced Practice Theories in Context
- Instructor: Charlene Richard
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- Course dates: January 12 February 27
- Online Zoom: Tuesdays & Thursdays: 5:30pm 8:30pm



- SOWK 606: Advanced Policy Practice in Context
- Instructor S02: Lana Wells
- E: lmwells@ucalgary.ca
- Course dates: March 2 April 14
- Online Zoom: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5:30pm 8:30pm



#### **MSW Laddering Pathway**

**Graduate Certificate** in Specialization Topic Step 1 OR **Graduate Certificate** in **Advanced Social** Step 2 **Work Practice** MSW Degree (practicum, seminar Step 3 & capstone)

Graduate Certificate in Advanced Social Work Practice

Step 2 Graduate Certificate in Specialization Topic

MSW Degree (practicum, seminar & capstone)



# **Upcoming Topics**

- Fall 2026
  - CSWP Specialization
    - Clinical Practice with Adult Mental Health & Addictions Calgary residencies
    - Trauma-Informed Practice Edmonton residencies
  - Leadership in the Human Services Specialization
    - The Practical and Transformational Leader- Online
- Fall 2027
  - CSWP Specialization
    - Trauma-Informed Practice Calgary residencies
  - Leadership in the Human Services Specialization
    - Indigenous Ways of Knowing in Leadership Calgary residencies



### **Laddering Information Session**

#### Save the Date

- Online Information Session
- Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm 7:30pm
  - Eligible certificate students (completed 2 certificates, or completed 1 and enrolled in their 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- What will be covered:
  - Dates and deadlines
  - Admission requirements
  - Laddering final year components (Practicum/Fire details)
- Apply Now Laddering Pathway | Faculty of Social Work | University of Calgary (ucalgary.ca)



#### **Student Advisor**

- Nicole MacDougallE: fsw.studentservices@ucalgary.ca
- Advanced Social Work Practice Certificate
- Graduate Certificate Timetables
- Graduate Certificate Course Outlines
- FSW Orientation
- How to Pay your Tuition and Fees

#### **Questions?**