



**FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK**

**Community-Informed  
Practice for Health & Well-  
being (Edmonton Residency)**

**Fall 2024 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.

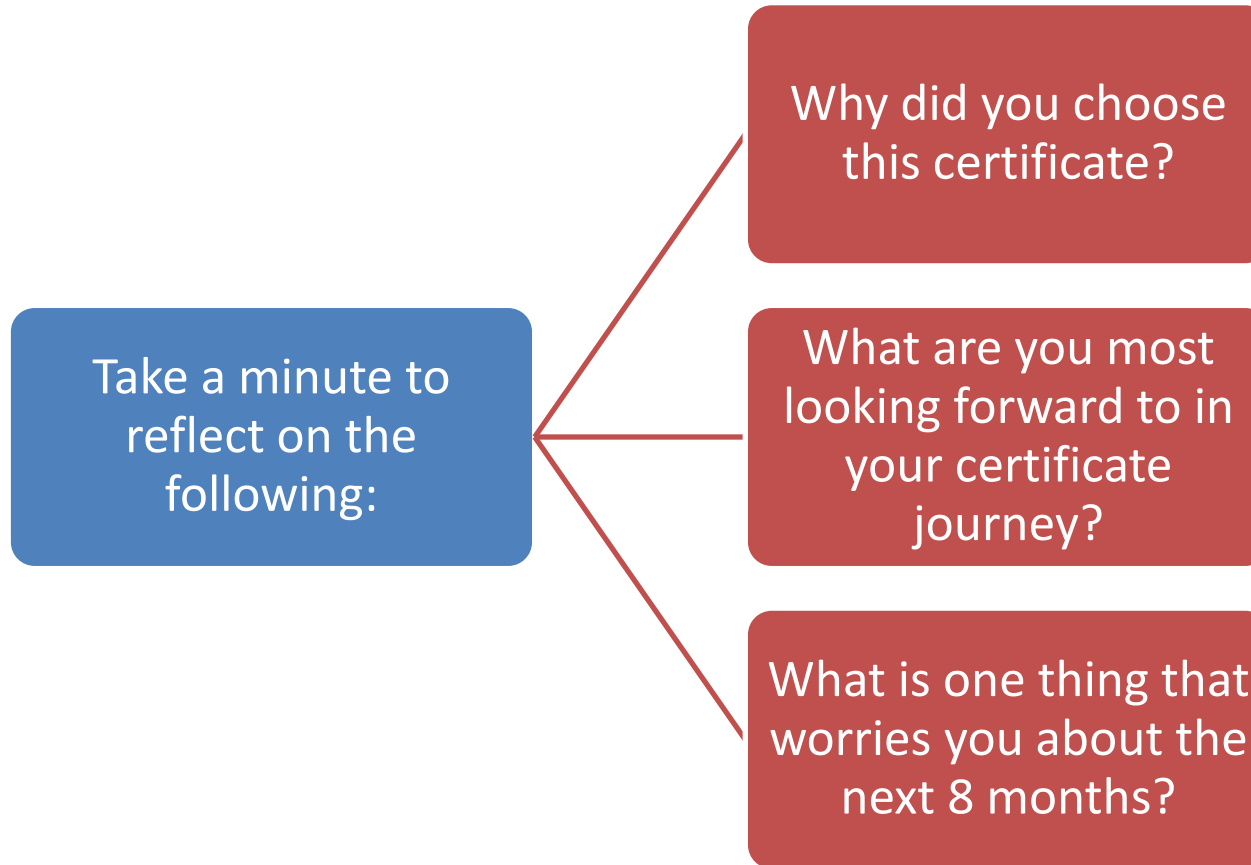
We strongly oppose and condemn anti-Black racism, systemic racism, white supremacy and discrimination in all its forms. We seek to eliminate inequities experienced by Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, those who self-identify as LGBTQ, and all those who experience barriers to their education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



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



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## Embarking on your Graduate Certificate Journey

- The Community Informed Practice for Health & Wellbeing certificate consists of 4 courses, SOWK 661, 663, 664, and 668, that will explore core elements of social work knowledge and practice.
- This specialization focuses on a more holistic approach to mental health. You'll learn theory while developing your skills and better informing your practice working with a variety of groups and communities that could include: Indigenous communities, the settlement sector, the LGBTQ2S+ community, the disability community, those affected by disaster, and more. The courses will also inform social workers involved in community and policy development.



- 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, 6PM – 8PM



- 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

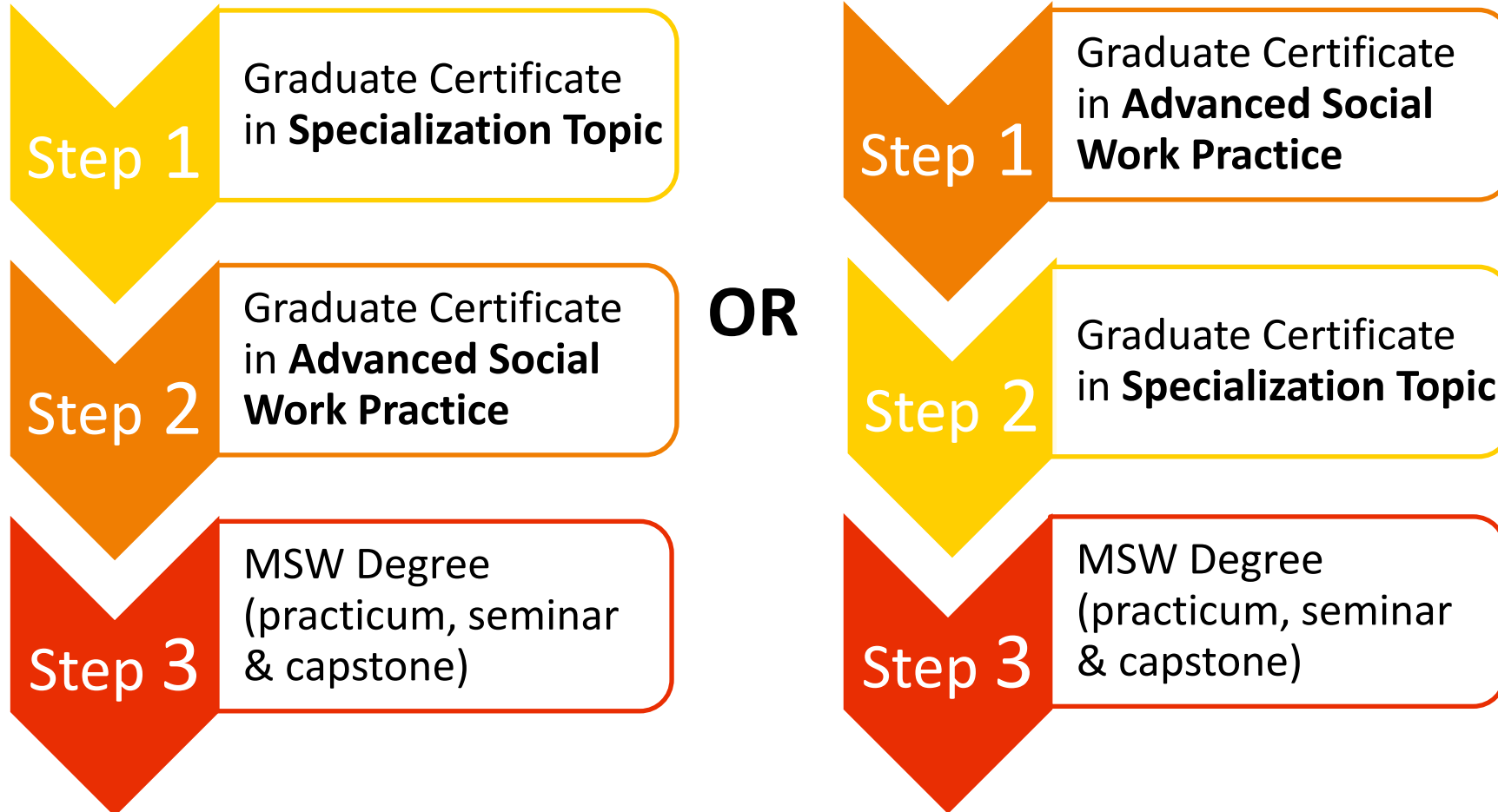
- B- (75-79%) is a minimum pass for students in graduate studies
- Students who accumulate two grades of B- or lower can be required by the Faculty to withdraw from the program
- Active engagement
- Self-directed inquiry
- Critical thinking, reflection & integration

- **SOWK 661: Theoretical and Philosophical Perspectives for Community-Based Health & Wellness**
- Instructor: Jane Slessor
- E: [jslessor@ucalgary.ca](mailto:jslessor@ucalgary.ca)
- Course dates: September 3 - October 17
- In-person Residency: Friday & Saturday, September 6 & 7, 9am - 4pm
- Online: Tuesdays & Thursdays Zoom: 6pm - 8pm (No class Sep 5)

- **SOWK 663: Community-Based Practice Models and Clinical Assessment**
- Instructor: Pat Samson
- E: [patricia.samson@ucalgary.ca](mailto:patricia.samson@ucalgary.ca)
- Course dates: October 18 - December 6
- Virtual Residency: Friday & Saturday, November 22 & 23, 9am - 4pm
- Online: Tuesdays & Thursdays Zoom: 6pm - 8pm (No class Nov 21)

- **SOWK 664: Community-Based Health & Wellness Approaches I**
- Instructor: TBA
- Course dates: January 13 - February 28
- Synchronous and asynchronous learning
- In-person: Friday & Saturday, January 24 & 25, 9am - 4pm
- Online: Tuesdays & Thursdays Zoom: 6pm - 8pm (No class Jan 23)

- **SOWK 668: Community-Based Health & Wellness Approaches II**
- Instructor: TBA
- Course dates: March 3 - April 11
- Virtual Residency: Friday & Saturday, March 21 & 22, 9am - 4pm
- Online: Tuesdays & Thursdays Zoom: 6pm - 8pm (No class Mar 20)



## Save the Date

- Online Information Session
- Monday, October 7<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 \(ucalgary.ca\)](#)



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- [Clinical Social Work Practice Webpage](#)
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## Questions?