



**FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK:  
Graduate Certificate Program**

- **Trauma-Informed Practice**
- **Individuals, Families and Groups**

**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.

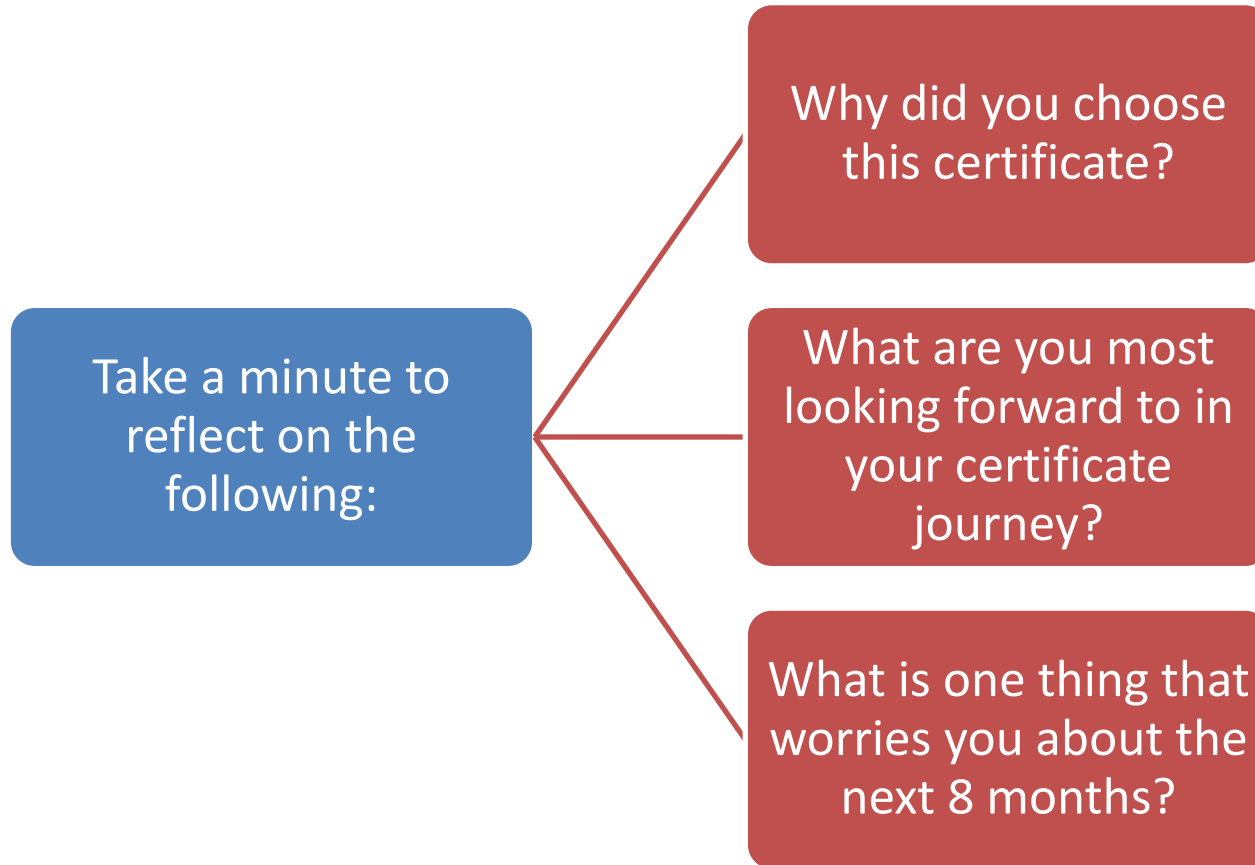
We strongly **oppose and condemn** anti-Black and systemic racism, white supremacy and discrimination in all its forms. We seek to eliminate inequities experienced by Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, those who self-identify as LGBTQ, and all those who experience barriers to their education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



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



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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
  - ❖ In person and virtual residencies

- 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



# Clinical Social Work Practice: Trauma-Informed Practice

Program Lead: Krista Osborne



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- **SOWK 611: Fundamentals of Trauma-Informed Practice**
- **Instructor:** Krista Osborne & Kathleen Gorman
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[kmgorman@ucalgary.ca](mailto:kmgorman@ucalgary.ca)
- **Course dates:** September 2 to October 17
- **In-Person Residency:** September 19 & 20, Friday & Saturday, 9am - 4pm
- **Online:** Tuesdays 5:30pm - 8:30pm

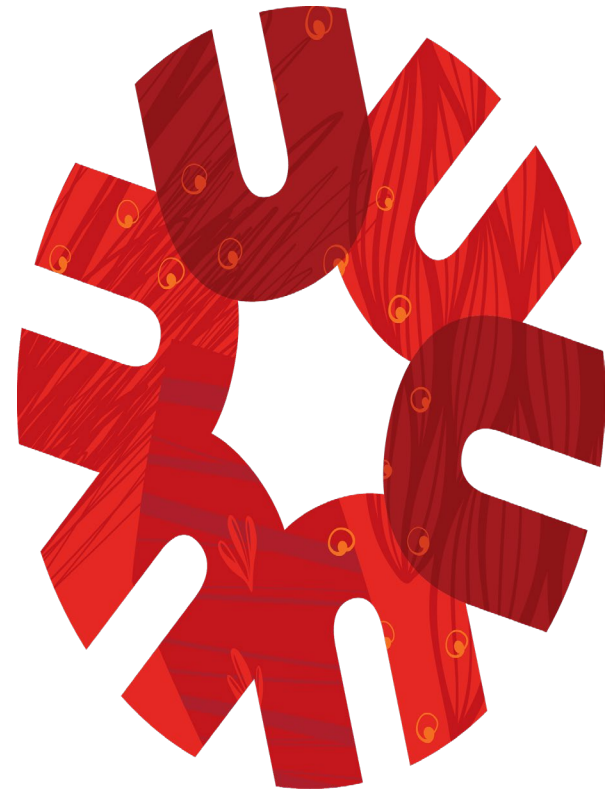
- **SOWK 613: Trauma Impacts and Interventions Across the Lifespan**
- **Instructor:** Heather Boynton
- **E:** [Heather.boynton@ucalgary.ca](mailto:Heather.boynton@ucalgary.ca)
- **Course dates:** October 20 - December 5
- **Virtual Residency:** November 21 & 22, Friday & Saturday, 9am – 4pm
- **Online Zoom:** Tuesdays: 5:30pm - 8:30pm

- **SOWK 615: Advanced Trauma-informed Practice with Indigenous People & Communities**
- **Instructor :** Kathleen Gorman
- E: [kmgorman@ucalgary.ca](mailto:kmgorman@ucalgary.ca)
- **Course dates:** January 12 – February 27
- **In-Person Residency:** January 23 & 24, Friday & Saturday, 9am - 4pm
- **Online Zoom:** Tuesdays, 5:30pm – 8:30pm

- **SOWK 617: Advanced Trauma Interventions in Diverse Contexts**
- **Instructor:** Krista Osborne
- E: [krista.osborne@ucalgary.ca](mailto:krista.osborne@ucalgary.ca)
- **Course dates:** March 2 - April 14
- **Virtual Residency:** March 27 & 28, Friday & Saturday, 9am - 4pm
- **Online:** Tuesdays - 5:30pm – 8:30pm

# Clinical Social Work Practice: Individuals, Families and Groups

Program Lead: Monica Sesma Vazquez



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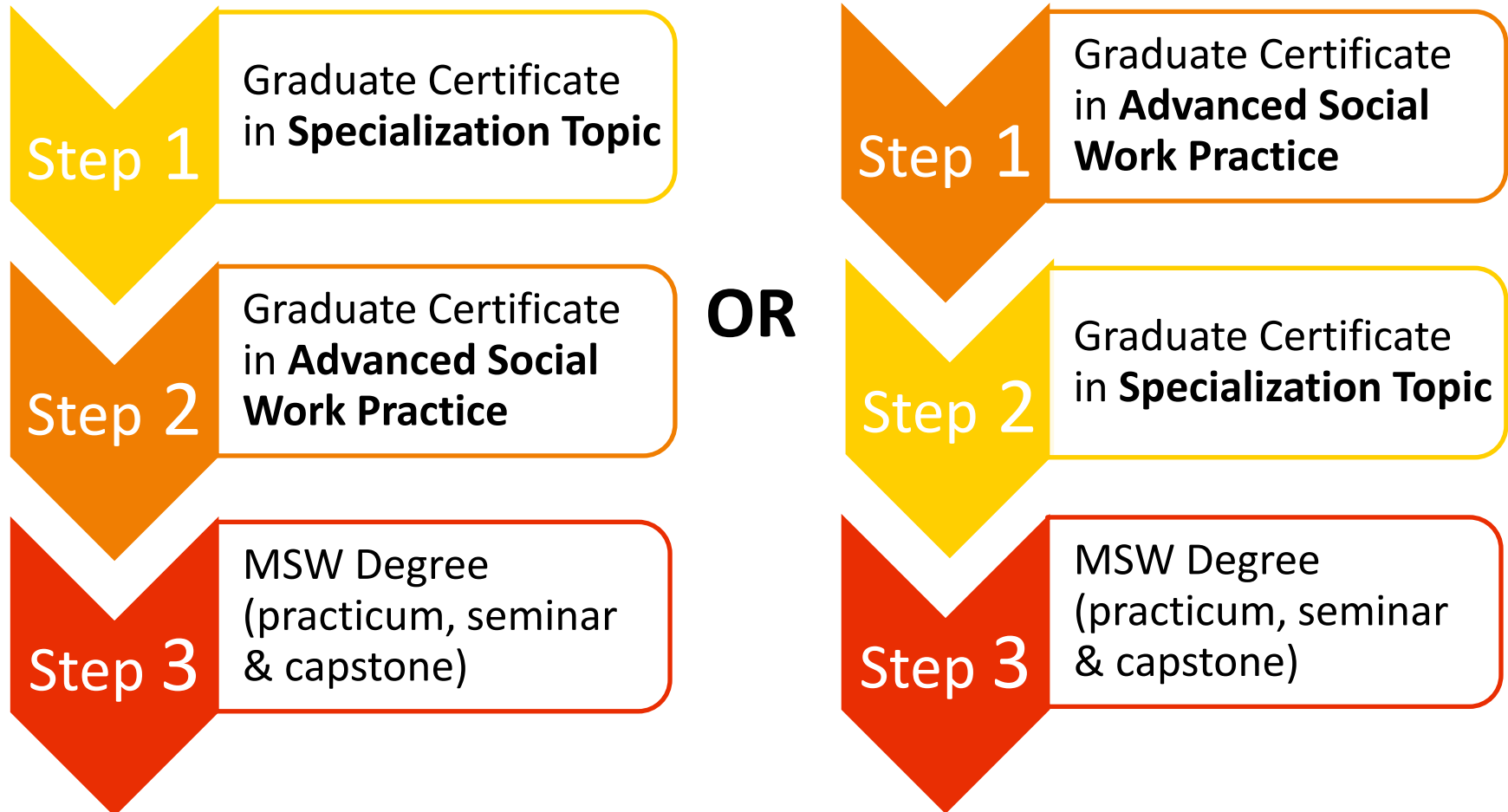
- **SOWK 601: Clinical Work with Individuals**
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- **Course dates:** September 2 - October 17
- **In-Person Residency:** September 19 & 20, Friday & Saturday, 9am - 4pm
- **Online Zoom:** Tuesdays: 5:30pm – 8:30pm



- **SOWK 603: Clinical Work with Families**
- **Instructor:** Shannon McIntosh
- **E:**
- **Course dates:** October 20 - December 5
- **Virtual Residency:** November 21 & 22, Friday & Saturday, 9am – 4pm
- **Online:** Tuesdays: 5:30pm – 8:30pm

- **SOWK 605: Clinical work with Groups**
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- **Course dates:** January 12 – February 27
- **In-person Residency:** January 23 & 24, Friday & Saturday, 9am – 4pm
- **Online Zoom:** Tuesdays: 5:30pm – 8:30pm

- **SOWK 607: Clinical Work with Other Professionals**
- **Instructor:** Donna Pruski
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- **Course dates:** March 2 - April 14
- **Virtual Residency:** March 27 & 28, Friday & Saturday, 9am - 4pm
- **Online:** Tuesdays: 5:30PM – 8:30PM



# 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 \(ucalgary.ca\)](#)

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## Questions?