

Welcome to the MSW Program!



MSW Online Clinical Social Work Practice Individuals, Families and Groups

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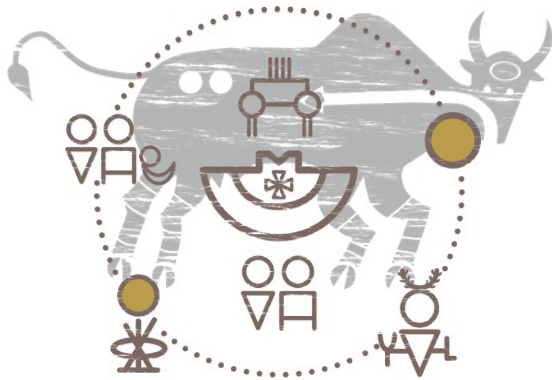
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Land Acknowledgement



Our students, staff and faculty are located all across Alberta, Canada, and other locations on Indigenous lands. In Alberta, we are on the traditional territories of the people of 45 First Nations in three treaty areas Treaty 6, 7 and Treaty 8, and the homeland of the Metis Nation, Regions 3 and 4!

We are grateful to our Indigenous peoples for the privilege of working, learning, and living on these lands.

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?

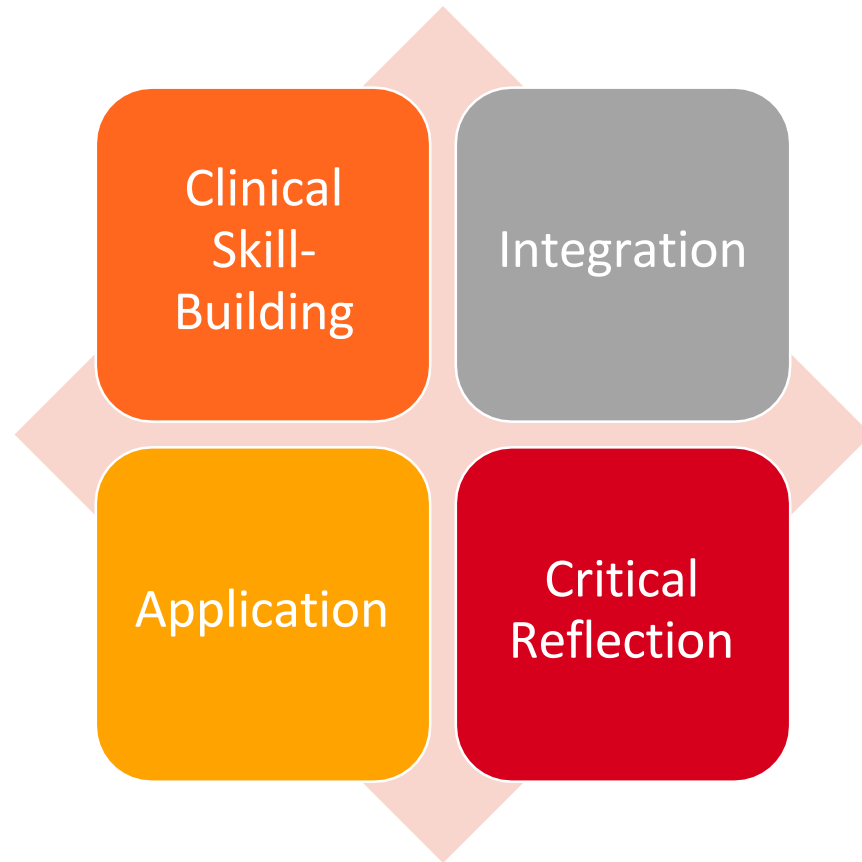
Embarking on your MSW Journey

Introductions

In Small Groups:

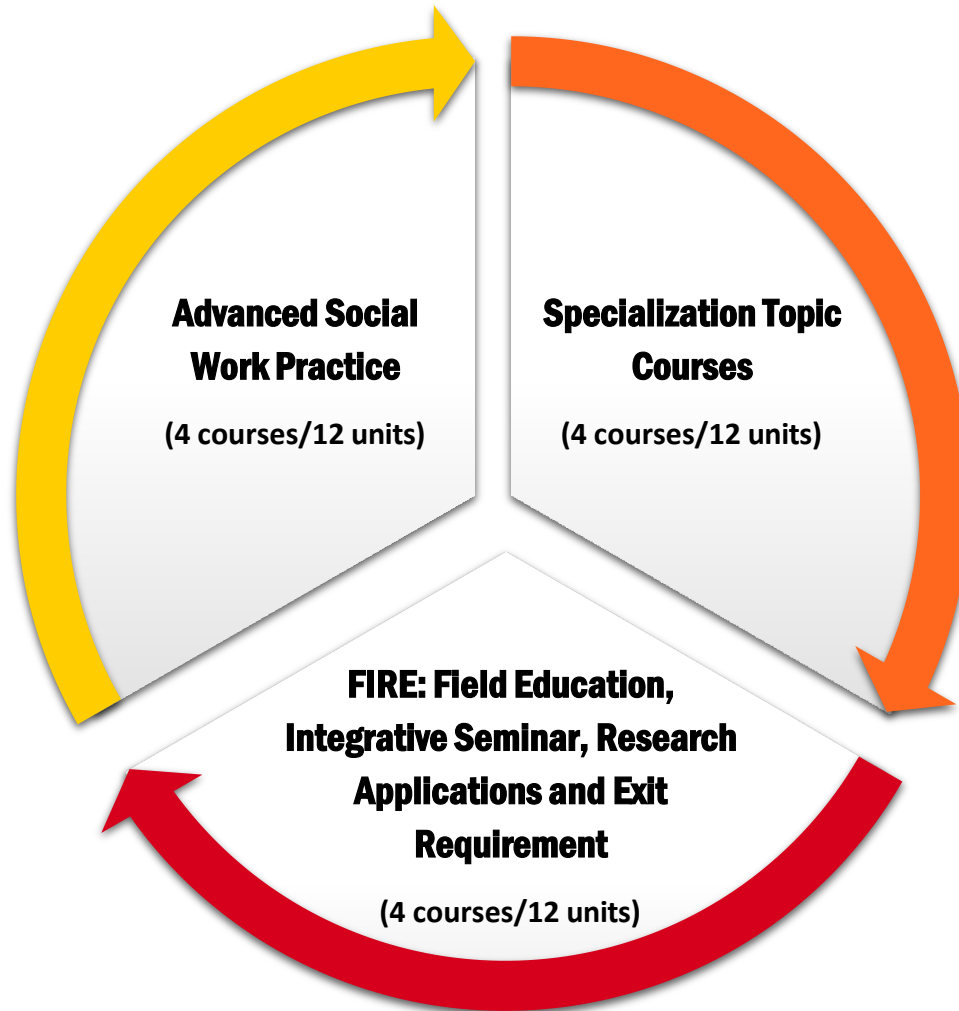
- Introduce yourself to the people in your small group.
 - e.g., name, where you are, one thing about you
- Take some time to discuss the following questions you just reflected on
 - What you're looking forward to
 - What concerns or worries you
 - How you will support your own success and the success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

Program Overview



MSW Focus: Advanced Clinical Practice

Twelve Courses in Three Clusters



Timeline: Overview

Year 1: Spring/Summer & Fall 2023

Advanced Social Work Practice

Winter 2024

Specialization

Year 2: Spring/Summer 2024

Specialization

Fall 2024 & Winter 2025

FIRE

- Course-based: 24-months
- Thesis-based: Year 2 fall/winter = 2 thesis courses (online), optional practicum; Year 3 = thesis research

Advanced Social Work Practice Courses Spring/Summer/Fall 2023 - Online

Spring 2023: SOWK 600

- Social Justice & Theory in Advanced SW Practice
- Instructor: Ajwang Warria

Summer 2023: SOWK 602

- Research & Philosophy in Advanced SW Practice
- Instructor: Alysia Wright

Fall 2023: SOWK 604

- Advanced Practice Theories in Context
- TBA

Fall 2023: SOWK 606

- Advanced Policy Practice in Context
- Instructor: Janki Shankar

Specialization Topic Courses 2024

Winter (Residency Feb 21-24)

Spring/Summer (Residency June 12-15)

Winter 2024: SOWK 601

- Clinical Work with Individuals
- Instructor: Monica Sesma

Winter 2024: SOWK 603

- Clinical Work with Families
- Instructor: Monica Sesma

Spring/Summer 2024: SOWK 605

- Clinical Work with Groups
- TBA

Spring/Summer 2024: SOWK 607

- Clinical Work with Other Professionals
- TBA

Guests Students

Welcome from

Megan, Niki, Taffy

Social Work Distance
students

Serena Visser

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 (Residency Sept 13-15)

SOWK 660 – Clinical Practicum

- 3 – 5 days per week (minimum 20 – maximum 40 hours per week)
- 500 hour-practicum in Fall 2024 and Winter 2025

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
- We will work on this integration and the exit requirement throughout the Integrative Seminar Course

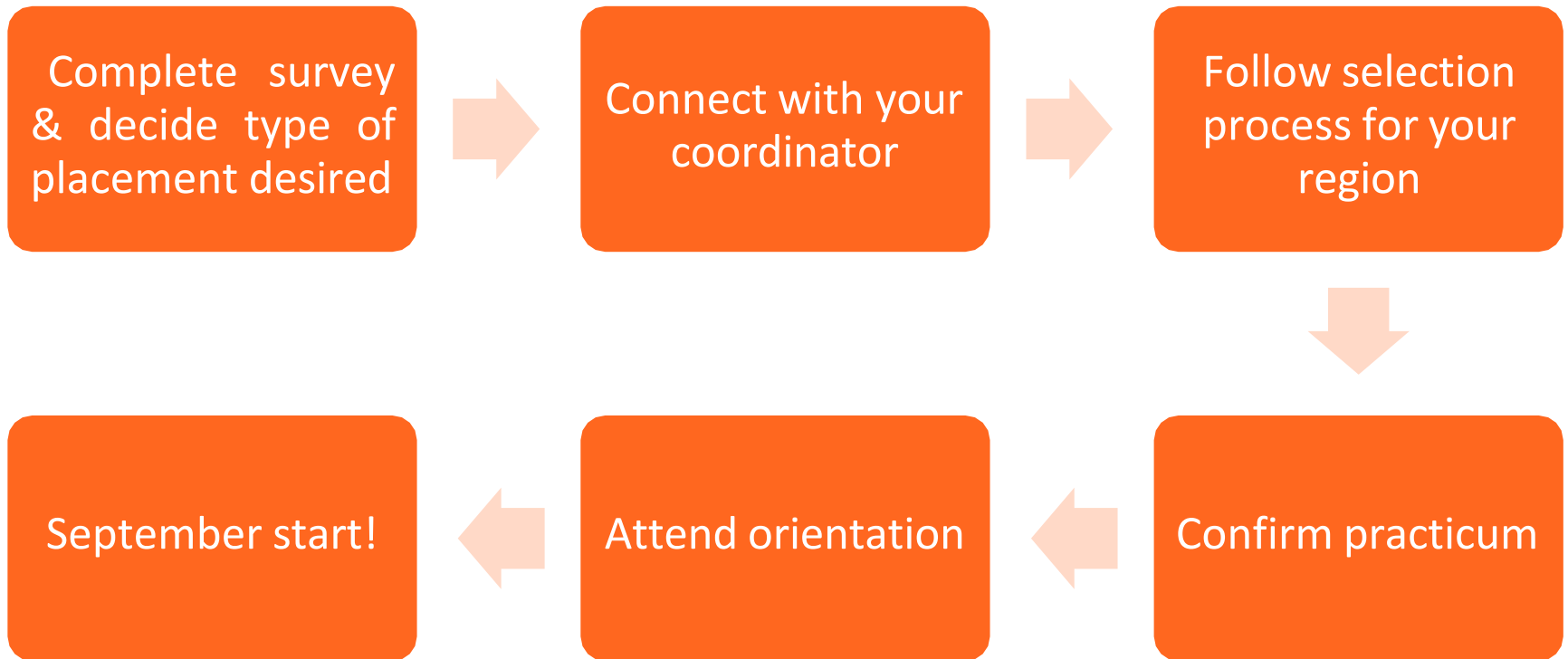
Types of Placements Supported

Agency Based

Workplace/New Job

Self-Directed

The General Process (January – August 2024)



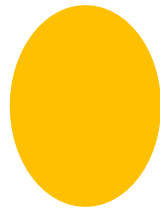
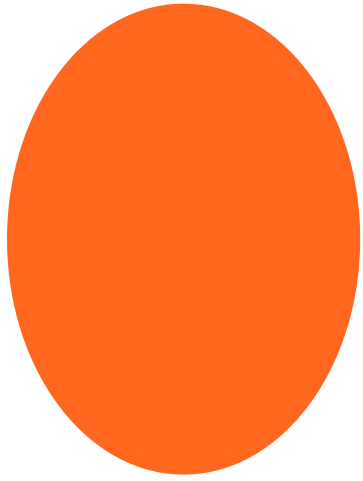
Field Education Manual – Please Review

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>





Thank You!

Questions?



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