

BSW FALL 2022 Course Electives

HWC 326 Crisis Intervention: Opportunities for Change

This course provides theoretical and substantive content that will enable students to gain knowledge, understanding, and skill in relation to crisis intervention in social work practice. This course defines crisis, provides examples of the types of crises workers will face in various fields of practice, explores the role of the social worker, and the range of interventions needed in response to crisis situations. Permission required for students not enrolled in the School of Social Welfare.

HWC 342 School of Social Work an Overview

This course is an introduction to the practice of school social work. It gives an overview of the central issues that occur in schools. It discusses strategies to build a positive and safe school climate for diverse and disenfranchised populations. It examines the social/political context of working in the school and the impact of policies such as the Common Core, NCLB and Race to the Top. Topics will also include working with students struggling with psychiatric, psychological, substance use, and familial issues as well as assisting students in special education. An overview of crisis intervention techniques will be presented.

HWC 379 Special Topics in Social Welfare: Social Work Health and Mental Health

This course explores the intersection between physical health and mental health. It provides the history of mental healthcare and the current state of mental/behavioral healthcare in the United States. Students will learn the settings and roles within healthcare, practical and ethical issues impacting diagnosis, co-occurring conditions, theories of behavioral change, and disorder prevention. Attention will be paid to factors that impact access to and quality of care, such as stigmas, awareness, discrimination, financial barriers, religious factors, and cultural factors.

HWC379 Special Topics in Social Welfare: Innovation and Entrepreneurship:

Study of the environment of private practice and non-profit agencies. Functions and philosophy of entrepreneurs in non-profit. Topics include problems in initiating and achieving success in new private practice and non-profit, including financing, marketing, management, and legal governmental relationships involved.

**HWC 379 Special Topics in Social Work: Anti-Racist Social Work:
Understanding White Fragility and Black Rage**

The course will assist social work students in understanding the complex nature of the dynamics of social oppression, racism, and anti-racist practice. Students will explore their own personal values, beliefs, and behaviors that may limit their ability to practice effective social work with people of diverse backgrounds, in particular, disadvantaged and oppressed persons. Students will acquire the knowledge needed for practice using an anti-oppressive and anti-racist lens framed by an understanding of systemic racism.