

SCWK 2622 - Social Work Processes

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 02, CRN 42894,

Credit hours: 3

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Course Description

2622. Social Work Processes. Addresses the full range of communication skills in systems of all sizes for professional social work practice. Includes principles of effective communication, functions and purposes of communication, and the roles of social workers. Thirty clock hours of volunteer engagement required. Three hours lecture. Prereq.: SCWK 1510. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Social Work Skills for Beginning Direct Practice	Cummins, Linda, Sevel, Judith & Pedrick, Laura	

Required Text:

Cummins, Linda, Sevel, Judith & Pedrick, Laura (2017). Social Work Skills for Beginning Direct Practice, 7th ed., Pearson: Boston, MA.

Optional Text:

Kadushin, A. & Kadushin, G. (2013). The Social Work Interview, 5th ed., Columbia University Press: New York.

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	See Blackboard Linked Readings.		Due 8/30 before 11:59:56pm: Introduction Post - Reply
8/31	See Blackboard Linked Readings.		Due 9/6 before 11:59:07pm: Discussion: Paraphrasing Practice - Reply
9/7	See Blackboard Linked Readings.		Due 9/13 before 11:59:04pm: Discussion: Reflection of Feeling - Reply
9/14	See Blackboard Linked Readings.		Due 9/20 at 11:59pm: Volunteer letter (DUE DAY 7) Discussion: Summarization - Reply



9/21	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 9/27 before 11:59:02pm: Discussion: Clarification - Reply
9/28	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 10/4 before 11:59:26pm: Discussion: Information Giving - Reply
10/5	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 10/11 before 11:59:56pm: Discussion: Interpretation - Reply
10/12	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 10/18 at 11:59pm: Volunteer log and Engagement Paper (Due Day 7) Due 10/18 before 11:59:35pm: Discussion: Confrontation - Reply
10/19	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 10/25 at 11:59pm: Video Presentation (Turn in of PowerPoint and Video)
10/26	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	
11/2	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 11/1 at 11:59pm: Video Critique and Analysis - Reply
11/9	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 11/8 before 11:59:32pm: Discussion: Setting SMART GOALS - Reply
11/16	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 11/15 before 11:59:19pm: Objectives and Intervention Practice - Reply Due 11/15 at 11:59pm: CLIENT EXPERIENCE PAPER - PART I
11/23	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 11/22 before 11:59:49pm: Intervention and Evaluation Plan Practice - Reply
11/30	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 11/29 at 11:59pm: CLIENT EXPERIENCE PAPER - PART II
12/7	See Blackboard Linked Readings.	Due 12/6 at 11:59pm: FINAL EXAM - Mock Client Interview Analysis

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