SCWK 2695 - Applied Social Work

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 01, CRN 42876,

Credit hours: 6

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Course Description

2695. Applied Social Work. A practicum in human service agencies for the Social Services Technology major. The student must spend 200 hours in an agency for a total of 6 s.h. credit. 3-6 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Optional	Succeeding at Your Internship: A Handbook Written for and with Students	Mruk, Christopher J. and Moor, John C	https://scholarworks.bgsu.edu/oer/1

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Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 1: • Introduction to Class.	Due 8/30 at 11:59pm: Lesson 1 Assignment Journal Entry 1 Discussion 1 - Reply
8/31	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 2: • Gain an understanding of the history of social work and the changes over the years to the present day.	Due 9/6 at 11:59pm: Lesson 2 Assignment Journal Entry 2 Discussion 2 - Reply

9/7	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 3: • Define the role of the generalist social worker • Identify responsibilities and expectations of the generalist social worker	Due 9/13 at 11:59pm: SWK Practicum Affiliation Agreement & Course Contract Due 9/13 before midnight: Lesson 3 Assignment Due 9/13 at 11:59pm: Journal Entry 3 Due 9/13 before 11:59:13pm: Discussion 3 - Reply
9/14	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 4: Identify and describe ethical practices in social work • Describe how ethical practices guide social workers • Define and identify ethics in social work • Learn how to use ethics when working with clients, staff, community members, and others in your agency and within the community.	Due 9/20 before midnight: Lesson 4 Assignment Journal Entry 4 Due 9/20 before 11:59:38pm: Discussion 4 - Reply
9/21	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 5: • Identify and define a social work case note • Evaluate the purpose of case notes • Learn how to write a case note	Due 9/27 at 11:59pm: Lesson 5 Assignment Journal Entry 5 Criminal Results and Drug Test Results Due 9/27 before 11:59:12pm: Discussion 5 - Reply
9/28	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 6: • Identify and define diversity in social work • Evaluate how diversity impacts the delivery of services	Due 10/4 at 11:59pm: Lesson 6 Assignment Due 10/4 before midnight: Journal Entry 6 Due 10/4 before 8:46:55pm: Discussion 6 - Reply
10/5	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 7: • Differentiate between the three levels of social work practices • Define and identify the three levels • Describe differences between all three levels	Due 10/11 before midnight: Lesson 7 Assignment Journal Entry 7 Due 10/11 before 8:45:40pm: Discussion 7 - Reply
10/12	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 8 :• Define human rights and social, economic, and environmental justice • Examine the skills needed to promote these principles when working in social work.	Due 10/18 before midnight: Lesson 8 Assignment Journal Entry 8 Due 10/18 before 8:42:25pm: Discussion 8 - Reply
10/19	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 9:• Define policy and use in social work practices • Evaluate the use of policy in agencies and impact on services offered and used by clients	Due 10/25 at 11:59pm: Lesson 9 Assignment Journal Entry 9 Due 10/25 at 8:37pm: Discussion 9 - Reply
10/26	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 10 :• Define and identify engagement with individuals, families, and groups • Identify engagement techniques • Learn how to use these skills when working with clients.	Due 11/1 before 8:33:06pm: Discussion 10 - Reply
11/2	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 11:• Define assessment • Identify tools used to assess client needs • Examine information needed to gather a comprehensive assessment of client needs	Due 11/1 before midnight: Lesson 10 Assignment Journal Entry 10 Due 11/8 before 8:31:57pm: Discussion 11 - Reply

11/9	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 12:• Define interventions used in social work • Examine the use of interventions • Explore the use of interventions to treat the different diagnoses	Due 11/8 before midnight: Lesson 11 Assignment Journal Entry 11 Due 11/15 at 8:27pm: Discussion 12 - Reply
11/16	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 13 :• Define supervision • Define and identify self-evaluations • Examine supervision practices and outcomes for social workers	Due 11/15 at 11:59pm: Lesson 12 Assignment Journal Entry 12 Due 11/22 at 8:20pm: Discussion 13 - Reply
11/23	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 14:• Define Termination • Identify how social workers conduct termination of services with a client • Describe how social workers support clients during the termination process	Due 11/22 at 11:59pm: Lesson 13 Assignment Journal Entry 13
11/30	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.	Lesson 15:	Due 11/29 at 11:59pm: Journal Entry 14 Field Educator Evaluation Form Submission Practicum Hour Summary Lesson 14 Assignment Due 11/29 before 11:59:30pm: Discussion 14 - Reply
12/7	See Blackboard Linked Readings. Material also available here in additional course detail.		

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