**SOWK 489**

**Course Description:**

This is a practicum experience or professional internship of 400 hours accompanied by weekly face-to-face class meetings designed to integrate the academic curriculum with the practicum experience. This experience allows for the application of the knowledge, skills, and values acquired from the social work curriculum to direct and macro practice with special emphasis on professional values and ethics.

Students will demonstrate the ability to engage, assess, intervene and evaluate work with individuals, families, communities and organizations; demonstrate an understanding of how to work toward dismantling oppression, establishing social, economic, and environmental justice. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the processes that perpetuate oppression and unequal access. Of special concern are groups experiencing social and economic injustices based on racial, ethnic, sexual orientation, sociocultural, and gender characteristics.

**Prerequisites:** Student has maintained a 2.7 overall GPA, a 2.8 GPA in all SOWK courses, has completed all coursework, has access to transportation to and from field agency, and received approval of the Field Coordinator.

**Corequisites**: SOWK 490

**Educational Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to do the following:

1. Demonstrate Ethical and Professional Behavior;
2. Engage Diversity and Difference in Practice;
3. Advance Human Rights and Social, Economic, and Environmental Justice;
4. Engage in Practice-informed Research and Research-Informed Practice;
5. Engage in Policy Practice;
6. Engage with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities;
7. Assess Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations and Communities;
8. Intervene with Individuals, Family, Groups, Organizations, and Communities; and
9. Evaluate Practice with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities