SWK 5103-105: Generalist Practice for Individuals, Families, and Treatment Groups

Course Description:
This is the first of two generalist social work practice courses. It explicates a generalist perspective that focuses on the knowledge, values, skills, and techniques appropriate for engagement, assessment, intervention and evaluation with individuals, families, & treatment groups. Prerequisite: SWK 5233.

Course Purpose:
This course introduces the student to the generalist perspective and its application with individuals, families and treatment groups. Based upon the generalist intervention model, it builds upon evidence-based knowledge gained in concurrent foundation year courses. Skill development focuses on the use of self in the helping relationship supported by the values of culturally sensitive practice. The course is further supported by the concepts of person-in-environment, client strengths, and social and economic justice.

Class Dates, Location and Hours:
- Dates: January 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27; March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 17, 24 & May 1, 2018
- Location: Zarrow Hall, Room 120, 700 Elm Avenue, Norman OK
- Hours: Tuesday 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
- Last day to enroll or drop without penalty: January 15, 2018

Campus Map: A map of the campus can be found on the OU website at: http://www.ou.edu/map/.

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Textbook(s) and Instructional Materials:
Student materials are available at the OU Follett Bookstore located at 1185 Asp Avenue; Norman, OK, and can be ordered online, by phone, by email, or by fax. Ordering online at http://www.bksstr.com/oklahomastore/home is strongly recommended – students can track the status of their order within 48 hours. If an order has not been shipped within three days, students can contact the Follett textbook manager by phone (405) 325-3511, (800) 522-0772 (toll-free) or email 0831mgr@fheg.follett.com. Phone orders (ask for the textbook manager and identify yourself as an Advanced Programs student) can be placed 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday (CST). Summer hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (CST). Fax orders can be placed 24 hours a day at (405) 325-7770. Text prices are available online.

4. Materials posted on the OU Canvas learning management system: Access Canvas at https://canvas.ou.edu, enter your OU NetID and password, and select course to access material. If you require assistance with Canvas, please click on the Help icon. You can search the Canvas guides, chat with Canvas support, or contact OU IT.

Note: Follett is the Advanced Programs contractual textbook provider. Should text changes become necessary after publication of the course syllabus, Advanced Programs will facilitate text returns/refunds only for texts purchased through Follett.

Educational Outcomes:
Given regular class attendance, participation in class activities, completion of assigned readings, and successful completion of course assignments, students will, at the conclusion of the course, have the ability to:

A. List and articulate societal and personal values relative to human differences as related to the professional value base for multi-level generalist practice;
B. Formulate a generalist intervention plan which reflects skills in client engagement, motivation, problem definition, assessment, intervention planning, appropriate selection of intervention procedures, and outcome evaluation;
C. Demonstrate intervention skills informed by culturally sensitive perspectives that are effective with diverse individuals, families, and treatment groups;
D. Describe families in dimensions of culture, socioeconomic status, member composition and developmental stage, and the implication of these for effective intervention; and,
E. Apply knowledge of group dynamics and structural variables, including cultural norms, values, and group composition, to social work practice with families and treatment groups.

Social Work Competencies and Practice Behaviors Assessed:
Upon successful completion of the course students will demonstrate novice ability in the following areas:

Competency 1:
Students know the profession’s history and are committed to SW core values and principles. They recognize that SW as a profession is unique in its focus on social justice and person in the environment.
Associated Behaviors:

- F 1.1 Advocate for client access to services available in their communities. (Assessed in Assignment 1).
- F 1.2 Recognize the importance of identifying the influence of their own values on practice. (Assessed in Assignment 2)
- F 1.3 Identify and discuss professional roles and boundaries. (Assessed in Assignment 2)
- F 1.4 Identify and discuss professional demeanor in behavior, appearance, and communication. (Assessed in Assignment 2).

Competency 2:
Students have read and discussed the SW Code of Ethics. They are knowledgeable of the value base of the profession, its ethical standards, and relevant laws.

Associated Behaviors:

- F 2.1 Recognize personal values in a way that gives priority to professional values in guiding practice (Assessed in Assignment 2).
- F 2.2 Make ethical decisions by identifying the relevant standards in the NASW Code of Ethics. (Assessed in Assignment 2).

Competency 3:
Students are knowledgeable about scientific inquiry, and the importance of critical reading of research.

Associated Behaviors:

- F 3.1 Identify and appraise multiple sources of knowledge, including research-based knowledge. (Assessed in Assignments 1 & 2)
- F 3.2 Identify and critique multidimensional assessment, prevention, intervention, and practice evaluation tools. (Assessed in Assignment 1)
- F 3.3 Demonstrate effective oral and written communication in working with individuals, families, groups, organizations, communities, and colleagues. (Assessed in Assignment 2)

Competency 6:
Students understand quantitative and qualitative research along with the scientific and ethical approaches to building knowledge.

Associated Behaviors:

- F 6.1 Understand the importance of evidence-based practices (Assessed in Assignments 1 & 2)
- F 6.2 Conduct informed literature reviews when working with specific client problems. (Assessed in Assignment 1)
- F 6.3 Use research evidence to inform practice (Assessed in Assignments 1 & 2)

Competency 7:
Students are knowledgeable about human behavior across the lifespan. They can describe theories pertaining to biological, social, cultural, psychological, and spiritual development.

Associated Behaviors:

- F 7.1 Discuss conceptual frameworks that guide the processes of assessment, intervention, and evaluation (Assessed in Assignment 2)
- F 7.2 Understand the complex interrelatedness of individuals and the various systems that comprise their social environment (Assessed in Assignment 2)
Competency 10:
Students have the knowledge and skills to practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities.

Associated Behaviors:

- **F 10.1 – Engagement**
  - F 10.1(a) Use empathy, unconditional positive regard, genuineness, reflective listening and other engagement strategies (Assessed in Assignment 2)
  - F 10.1(d) Develop a mutually agreed-on focus of work and desired outcomes (Assessed in Assignment 1)

- **F 10.2 – Assessment**
  - F 10.2(a) Collect, organize, and interpret basic client data multidimensional bio-psycho-social-spiritual assessments. (Assessed in Assignment 2)
  - F 10.2(b) Identify client strengths and limitations. (Assessed in Assignment 2)
  - F 10.2(c) Develop intervention plans through the use of mutually agreed-on goals and objectives (Assessed in Assignment 2)
  - F 10.2(d) Select appropriate, evidence-based intervention strategies (Assessed in Assignment 2)

- **F 10.3 – Intervention**
  - F 10.3(a) Initiate actions to achieve organizational goals. (Assessed in Assignment 2)
  - F 10.3(c) Help clients resolve problems. (Assessed in Assignment 1 & 2)
  - F 10.3(d) Negotiate, mediate, and advocate for clients. (Assessed in Assignment 1)

Major Course Divisions:

A. Introduction to the Social Work Profession, including:
   - i. History
   - ii. Fields of practice
   - iii. Social Work Values and Ethics

B. Evidence-Based Practice, including:
   - i. Introduction to EBP
   - ii. EBP model and “triangle” of the levels of available evidence

C. Generalist Intervention Model, including:
   - i. Engagement
   - ii. Assessment
   - iii. Planning
   - iv. Implementation
   - v. Evaluation
   - vi. Termination
   - vii. Knowledge and skills for addressing needed change

D. Families
   - i. Target for intervention
   - ii. Structure, roles, and communication

E. Treatment groups, including:
i. Group process and roles

ii. Group treatment skills

Course Outline

The course will involve mini-lecture, group discussion, reflection papers and video recordings.

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Assignments, Grading and Due Dates:

Submission of Assignments:

All assignments are to be printed and submitted to the instructor in class on the due date. It is not necessary to submit the assignments on Canvas, via e-mail, or by any other means.
Assignment #1: Self-Assessment (10%)
Students will complete a 9-page self-assessment addressing self-awareness/understanding, personal strengths, ethics, and multicultural awareness. Self-assessment templates are available on-line. Responses are reported in scales and brief answers. Grading is by completion of assignment and discussion in class. Due Tuesday, January 23, 2018

Assignment #2: Ethical Practice Scenarios Assignment (10%)
Students compose a brief, substantive, response to selected scenarios representing varied ethical dilemmas that could be encountered in social work practice. The assignment is designed to assess one’s capability to (1) identify ethical dilemmas in social work practice and the Code of Ethics sections that should address them, and (2) other reasonably accurate resolutions for practitioners to follow to resolve these dilemmas. Due Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Assignment #3: Bio-Psycho-Social Assessment and Eco-Gram of Change (30%)
Students will compose a complete Bio-Psycho-Social Assessment based upon their individual life experience. Using this document, they will construct a description of a major change in their life, using an Eco-Gram to represent their person-in-environment experience before and after this major change. Due Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Assignment #4: Evidence-Based Practice Paper (30%)
Social workers are expected to understand evidence-based practices and then to educate, network and evaluate as part of their profession. Having updated research knowledge and updated community resource knowledge about problems addressed by social workers ensures practice. Students will write an 8-10 page paper on an evidence-based practice for a problem in an area of interest to the student, and then critique their community resources using the literature review as a guide. Use paper outline to write paper. Due Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Assignment #5: Interviewing Skills Preparation/Reflection (20%)
Students will prepare a preparation document for participating in practice sessions and paired interviews. Due Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Grading:
This is a letter-graded course: A, B, C, D, or F. A = 100 – 90; B = 89 – 80; C = 79 – 70; D = 69 – 60 (Must Repeat Course)

Notice: Failure to meet assignment due dates could result in a grade of I (Incomplete) and may adversely impact Tuition Assistance and/or Financial Aid.

Methods of Evaluation
This course will include projects, research papers, reflection assignments, and case analysis papers to assess student learning.

Breakdown of Class Grading
1. Self-Assessment Assignment (10%)
2. Ethical Practice Scenarios (10%)
3. Bio-Psycho-Social Assessment and Eco-Gram of Change Assignment (30%)
4. Evidence-Based Practice Paper (30%)
5. Interviewing Skills Preparation/Reflection (20%)
Academic Conduct

Each student should acquaint him or herself with the University’s codes, policies, and procedures involving academic misconduct, grievances, sexual and ethnic harassment and discrimination based on physical handicap. This information can be reviewed in The University of Oklahoma – Norman Campus Student Handbook located at: http://www.ou.edu/content/studentlife/studenthandbook.html. Students should also be familiar with the Anne and Henry Zarrow School of Social Work Academic and Professional Performance Policy http://socialwork.ou.edu/ and the NASW Code of Ethics http://socialwork.ou.edu/policies-and-procedures.

Statement of Reasonable Accommodation

The University of Oklahoma is committed to providing reasonable accommodation for all students with disabilities. Students with disabilities who require accommodations in this course are requested to speak with the professor as early in the semester as possible. International students, who are not fluent in English, can request extended times for examinations. Students with disabilities must be registered with the Disability Resource Center prior to receiving accommodations in this course.

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405-325-3852 (voice)
405-325-4173 (voice)
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http://www.ou.edu/drc/home.html

Provost-Approved University Activities and Religious Observances

It is university policy “to excuse student absences that result from religious observances and to provide without penalty for the rescheduling of examinations and additional required class work that may fall on religious holidays.” Therefore, a make-up exam will be given when it falls on a practiced religious holiday and/or for religious observances and “Provost-approved University-sponsored activities such as scholarly competition, fine arts performances...” and legally required activities, such as emergency military service and jury duty (Student Codebook, p. 26).

Attendance Policy:

Attendance is required to be successful in this course, and will be documented by sign-in sheets for every session. After four absences, the student may be required to withdraw from the course. Absence remediation assignments will be assigned at the discretion of the instructor, but it is the responsibility of the student to contact the instructor as soon as possible after the missed class to arrange for receipt of the assignment. Remediation assignments will be submitted by email attachment.

Given the opportunity for remediation there should be no need for exceptions to this policy. However, students may always request an exemption if they believe they have cause. However, granting exceptions will still be at the discretion of the instructor.

Incomplete Policy:

An incomplete grade for the course may be assigned only if the student has “satisfactorily completed a substantial portion of the required coursework for the semester” (Oklahoma State Regents Policy). Additionally, the instructor must advise the student (and the Office of Academic Records) what must be done to complete the course, and must set a time limit appropriate to the circumstances (OU General Catalog, Academic Standards, Grades). It is recommended that the student request the incomplete grade as soon as possible before the end of the course, and that the student and instructor construct a written contract outlining what is needed to resolve the incomplete grade.
POLICIES AND NOTICES

Attendance/Grade Policy

Attendance and participation in interaction, individual assignments, group exercises, simulations, role playing, etc. are valuable aspects of any course because much of the learning comes from discussions in class with other students. It is expected that you attend all classes and be on time except for excused emergencies.

Excused absences are given for professor mandated activities or legally required activities such as emergencies or military assignments. It is the policy of the University to excuse absences of students that result from religious observances and to provide without penalty for the rescheduling of examinations and additional required class work that may fall on religious holidays. Unavoidable personal emergencies, including (but not limited to) serious illness; delays in getting to class because of accidents, etc.; deaths and funerals, and hazardous road conditions will be excused.

If you are obtaining financial assistance (TA, STAP, FA, VA, Scholarship, etc.) to pay all or part of your tuition cost, you must follow your funding agency/institution’s policy regarding “I” (Incomplete) grades unless the timeline is longer than what the University policy allows then you must adhere to the University policy. Students who receive Financial Aid must resolve/complete any “I” (Incomplete) grades by the end of the term or he/she may be placed on “financial aid probation.” If the “I” grade is not resolved/completed by the end of the following term, the student’s Financial Aid may be suspended make the student ineligible for further Financial Aid.

Students are responsible for meeting the guidelines of Tuition Assistance and Veterans Assistance. See the education counselor at your local education center for a complete description of your TA or VA requirements.

Academic Integrity and Student Conduct

Academic integrity means honesty and responsibility in scholarship. Academic assignments exist to help students learn; grades exist to show how fully this goal is attained. Therefore all work and all grades should result from the student's own understanding and effort.

Academic misconduct is any act which improperly affects the evaluation of a student’s academic performance or achievement. Misconduct occurs when the student either knows or reasonably should know that the act constitutes misconduct. Academic misconduct includes: cheating and using unauthorized materials on examinations and other assignments; improper collaboration, submitting the same assignment for different classes (self-plagiarism); fabrication, forgery, alteration of documents, lying, etc…in order to obtain an academic advantage; assisting others in academic misconduct; attempting to commit academic misconduct; destruction of property, hacking, etc…; intimidation and interference with integrity process; and plagiarism. All students should review the Student’s Guide to Academic Integrity at http://integrity.ou.edu/students_guide.html

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. All students should review policies regarding student conduct at http://studentconduct.ou.edu/

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Adjustment for Pregnancy/Childbirth-Related Issues

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**Title IX Resources**

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- 2000 Master of Arts, Political Science-International Affairs concentration with an emphasis in Latin American Political Systems; University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, Oklahoma
- 2000 Master of Landscape Architecture; University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma
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