SOWK 109 : Introduction to Social Work

A. Course Description

Credits: 4

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: None

Students are introduced to the social work profession and the social welfare issues that it addresses. They learn about the history, values, theories and practices of social work which enables them to interact with social work professionals and to make an informed decision regarding their entry into social work. This course (or its equivalent) is a prerequisite to enter into the social work major and is open to all interested students.

B. Course Effective Dates: 12/14/2016 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Begin to integrate theories of culture and social work practice in preparation for working with individuals and families from diverse cultural backgrounds
2. Have a beginning understanding of social welfare history, social theory, generalist practice, professional identification, values and responsibilities with an emphasis on human diversity.
3. Have a beginning understanding of socioeconomic, justice and related issues impacting populations-at-risk.
4. Know the various stages of social work practice from the contact stage to the termination stage.
5. Learn about multicultural intervention skills with emphasis on services to individuals and families.
6. Learn and understand various theories of culture

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

This contains no goal areas.

G. Special Information

Community Engagement