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**General Syllabus:**

**SOWK 4901 Field Instruction I**

Credit Hours: 1      Lecture Hours: 1      Laboratory: None

Prerequisite: SOWK 3914 Social Work Practice (Generalist), senior standing (or 24 hours upper level SOWK courses), and departmental permission.

Corequisite: SOWK 4914 Social Work Practicum I.

Effective Catalog: 2015-2016

**I. Course Information:**

**A. Catalog Description**

Discussion and integration of experiences from SOWK 4914 Social Work Practicum I. Meets once per week.

**B. Additional Information-** None

**II. Student Learning Outcomes:**

**A. Subject Matter**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Identify as a professional social worker and conduct oneself accordingly. (Competency 2.1.1)
2. Apply critical thinking to inform and communicate professional judgments. (Competency 2.1.3)
3. Respond to contexts that shape practice. (Competency 2.1.9)
4. Demonstrate an understanding of the Workers Code of Ethics  
<http://www.socialworkers.org/pubs/CODE/Default.asp>.
5. Demonstrate Generalist Practice and core competencies. (Competency 2.2)  
*\*The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) requires 10 Core Competencies, a Code of Ethics, and Generalist Practice requirements.*

**B. University Learning Outcomes**

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

**Technological Skills**

Students will use the library and internet resources to research literature to complete research papers, written assignments, and to prepare for class discussions. The use of a variety of technological resources will be a graded component of these written and verbal activities.

**Communication Skills**

Students will demonstrate appropriate written and verbal communication skills through papers and oral presentations concerning course focus and in accordance with instructions.

**III. Major Course Topics:**

- A. Case Management
- B. Clinical Social Work
- C. National Association of Social Workers Code of Ethics
- D. Diversity in Social Work Practice
- E. Families and Communities
- F. Unique populations
- G. Topics relevant to Americans with disabilities