**Supplement II**

**Learning Plan and Course Selection**

**MSW Advanced Program**

**Instructions:** when you have completed this document, upload to your online application.

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| **Applicant’s name:** |  |

1. Identify the field of social work practice on which you want to focus. Our School’s MSW program is organized according to three major field of practice: Health and Social Care, Family and Children, and Social and International Development. Give a brief explanation of your choice. Maximum 100 words.

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1. Describe your professional experience and interests as related to the preferred field of practice and how these align with this graduate program. Maximum 200 words.

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1. Outline the main learning goals that you intend to achieve through studying for an MSW degree. Maximum 100 words.

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1. Based on the course information posted on the School’s website, please describe how you will achieve your learning goals through:
   1. courses you intend to take, using the “Course Selection Form” below
   2. the nature and possible setting of the types of placements that you prefer:

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* 1. a tentative topic that you will explore through the research course, and possibly other scholarly activities such as a thesis\*:

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* 1. Briefly explain the relevance to your responses above to your future career as a social worker. Maximum 400 words.

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\* Please note that the school does not assign supervisors to students who are interested in writing a thesis. It is up to individual faculty members to make their own decision to supervise students’ theses based on the research topic and students’ academic preparedness for writing a thesis. The thesis is an option that requires 6 credits in addition to the required 30 for your MSW degree.

**Course Selection Form**

The following core courses are required by all MSW Advanced students.

**CORE COURSES (Mandatory, 18 credits total)**

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| **Theory** **(3 credits)** | **Field Practice (9 credits)** |
| SOWK 550     Social Work and Social Justice | SOWK 560C   Practicum (6 credits)  SOWK 559     Advanced Integrative Seminar (3 credits) |
| **Research Course (6 credits)** |  |
| SOWK 553C    Quantitative Methods in SW Research, or  SOWK 554C    Qualitative Methods in SW Research |  |

**ELECTIVE COURSES in the Field of Practice (6 credits total) &**

**GENERAL ELECTIVES (6 credits total)**

Choose **4 electives** in total, at least 2 of which must be from your chosen field of practice.

Below are the **Elective Choices from your Field of Practice** – each is 3 a credit course:

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| ***FIELD OF PRACTICE: Family & Children*** |
| \_\_\_SOWK 522     Family Mediation & Conflict Resolution (online)  \_\_\_SOWK 526     SW Practice with Individuals and Couples  \_\_\_SOWK 532     SW Practice with the Family  \_\_\_SOWK 570L   Adolescent Development in Non-Familial Contexts  \_\_\_SOWK 572A   Child and Family Policy and Practice |
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| ***FIELD OF PRACTICE: Health & Social Care*** |
| \_\_\_SOWK 521     Addictions  \_\_\_SOWK 525     Advanced Mental Health Practice  \_\_\_SOWK 531     Aging  \_\_\_SOWK 551     Social Work in Health Settings  \_\_\_SOWK 453     Disability and Justice |
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| ***FIELD OF PRACTICE: Social & International Development*** |
| \_\_\_SOWK 529     SW Practice in the Community  \_\_\_SOWK 571 International Social Development |

Below are **General Elective** choices. You can choose 2 more elective courses from any of the above Fields of Practice electives, OR 2 courses from here:

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| ***GENERAL ELECTIVES:*** |
| \_\_\_SOWK 514 Feminism and Social Work Praxis \_\_\_SOWK 524A    Social Services Management  \_\_\_One SOWK 440/450 course, OR one 400 level interprofessional health course offered through SPPH |

NOTE: Students may change their selections before registration takes place. All courses may not be offered each year.  
Additional electives may be offered depending on faculty availability.