



EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
DEPT. OF SOCIOLOGY, ANTHROPOLOGY, CRIMINOLOGY, AND SOCIAL WORK

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK (BSW)

Instructions for Application to Introduction to Social Work Exploratory Field Practicum

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Description of Exploratory Field Experience:

Introduction to Social Work SWK 200 is a professional foundation course for students seeking a bachelor's degree in social work (BSW) from Eastern Connecticut State University. The course requires students to complete a minimum of 20 hours of field experience in a host social service agency. The fieldwork experience is intended to offer students first-hand exposure to the atmosphere, functioning of a social service agency, and observation of the roles and tasks of social service professionals. The student's activities in the field usually are limited to supportive volunteer work in the agency. It is a useful learning experience for students to be able to interact directly with clients or consumers.

Instructions for Obtaining Your Introduction to the Social Work Exploratory Field Experience:

The 20 hours of field experience must be completed during the academic semester in which the student is enrolled in SWK 200. Credit will not be given for prior volunteer experience nor past or present paid employment.

Step One: Placement Process

1. Students will obtain a copy of the list of potential exploratory field sites from the office of community engagement.
2. Students will identify a potential site from that list. Students are allowed to secure alternative field placement sites not on the list, but all field sites are to be approved by the instructor prior to the student beginning their 20 hours.
3. When a site has been identified, the student will have the potential supervisor complete the Exploratory Field Experience Form and submit the form to the course instructor for review.
4. When the Exploratory Field Experience Form is completed and signed by the course instructor, the student may begin the placement experience.

Step Two: Completion of Field Experience

1. Students will ask that the exploratory field site supervisor complete the Exploratory Field Experience Evaluation Form.
2. The students will submit the completed form to the course instructor.
3. Those students interested in pursuing social work as a major should maintain a copy of the form for their portfolio.



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Student Information	
Name:	
Address:	
Cell Phone No.:	
Eastern Email:	
Exploratory Field Site Information	
Agency Name:	
Agency Address:	
Agency Phone:	
Supervisor's Name:	
Supervisor's Phone:	
Supervisor's Email:	
No. Days/Hours Expected to be in the Field:	
Description of Field Site Agency: (Student should provide a brief description of the agency and the type of services it provides as well as a brief description of the population the agency serves.)	
Description of Student Tasks/Activities in the Field: (Student should provide a brief description of potential tasks/activities which they are likely to engage in while at the field site.)	
Signature of Field Site Supervisor:	Date:
Approval Signature of Course Instructor:	Date: