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Practicum in Human Services

Course Description:

This practicum/field work experience in human services is defined as direct involvement in a non-classroom setting, sponsored by the College and jointly supervised by the agency and faculty. Students are also expected to participate in a weekly seminar> Students must have completed a minimum of 30 credits in human service degree courses.

Required Text:

The Social Work Interview, Kadushin, Albert.

Learning Outcomes

- . To engage students in class discussions and knowledge base with direct human service practice experience;
- . Evidence of ability to identify a range of direct practice experiences in the process of working with clients to achieve optimal social functioning;
- . Evidence of student’s understanding of the human services body of knowledge and how specific population groups are affected by a particular social problem or issue;
- . Participation in and completion of a 90-hour field placement in a social service organization.

Assignments:

Assignment #1: Written report on organization or agency, describing the history, mission and current delivery of services in a 3-5 page report. All reports are to be typed.

Due: _____

Assignment #2: Detailed written description of your specific job responsibilities with the agency. Include job description (if one is provided by agency). If not, draft a working document that will guide you through the field placement. Include information on the area of service that you are working with. Also provide research and demographic information on the population group that you are working with. This report should be 4-6 pages in length.

Assignment #3: Oral presentation to the class on your field placement experience.

