APPLICATION FOR FIELD PRACTICUM
SOCW 4688/4698

Students must have been accepted into the social work program and must have maintained a 2.25 GPA prior to completing this application for field instruction.

Date of Application: _________    Overall GPA: _________    Social Work GPA: _________

Applying for:
Field Practicum I (SOCW 4688): _________    Semester/Year: _________
Field Practicum II (SOCW 4698): _________    Semester/Year: _________

Students may enroll in a block placement by enrolling in both 4688 and 4698. Students enrolled in a block placement may NOT take more than 3 additional hours.

Mr. – Mrs. – Ms. _________________________________________  Buff ID #_____________________
Last Name          First Name              MI

Current Mailing Address:
___________________________________________________________________________________
Street     Apt. #                              City       Zip

Home Phone: _____________________________
Mobile: _____________________________
Email address: __________________________
Anticipated Graduation Date: __________________________

Students must be in their last semester(s) of their degree plan.

Do you plan to be employed during your field placement? Yes _____***  No _____
If yes, where? ______________________________
Days and times of employment: ______________________________

***It is strongly recommended that students enrolled in a block placement NOT work during this semester!

Do you have transportation? Yes _____ No _____ If not, what plans do you have for commuting?
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If applying for Field Instruction II (SOCW 4698) only, where did you complete Field Instruction I?
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Check all social work prerequisites that you have completed:

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And one upper-level from: CRIJ, ECON, SCOM, SOCI, POSC, PSYC: ______

Please provide brief information regarding any volunteer work or paid employment experiences of a social work nature:

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What personal or academic strengths do you have to offer an agency (bilingual, writing skills, computer skills, etc.)? ________________________________________________________________

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Which specific professional skill(s) do you want to gain experience and expertise in (interviewing, intakes, etc.)? ________________________________________________________________

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Do any personal conditions exist that would impact your ability to complete your internship?

If so, please explain.

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Discuss briefly your career plans, goals, special interests, etc. What client population(s) are you most interested in working with and why? You may attach additional pages if necessary.

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Field Instruction I: A six-hour course designed to introduce the student to the practical aspects of the delivery of social services and social work practice. Requirements include the satisfactory completion of 225 clock hours (minimum) of closely supervised experience in an assigned agency. The grade is Pass/Fail with a written evaluation of the student’s efforts and accomplishments toward fulfillment of the educational goals of placement.

Field Instruction II: A six-hour course designed to provide the student with an opportunity for continued growth in professionalism and in the delivery of social services. Requirements include the satisfactory completion of 225 clock hours (minimum) of closely supervised experience in an assigned agency. The grade is Pass/Fail with a written evaluation of the student’s efforts and accomplishments toward fulfillment of the educational goals of placement.

Release and Waiver of Liability Form: Must be completed upon acceptance for agency placement and prior to the beginning of field instruction activities.

Student Liability Insurance: It is recommended that students have liability insurance coverage to protect against any malpractice action filed against them while performing fieldwork. Some field placement agencies do provide this coverage for our students. Please see your advisor regarding available insurance programs.

Release of Information: Your signature on this application constitutes consent for the release of information necessary for field placement consideration by the agencies designated.

Voluntary Disclosure: Many Field Placement Agencies require a criminal and/or background check (including child abuse and neglect checks) prior to accepting field placement students. To enable us in guiding your placement process, if there is anything in your past that might be an issue you can voluntarily disclose the situation and its resolution by attaching a separate sheet with the details.

By signing this application, you acknowledge having read it and that you understand the guidelines and requirements as described. You also agree to abide by the NASW Code of Ethics.

Student signature: _____________________________________________ Date: _____________

Please return this form along with copies of a current WTAMU transcript and an updated degree plan to the Field Coordinator. If you have any questions, please contact:

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