

Distance Education MSW Foundation  
Field Orientation  
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**"Choose a job you love and you  
will never have to work a day in  
your life."**

- Confucius

# Mission of Social Work Program

To provide students with a **trauma informed foundation** that will prepare them for advanced practice and leadership. The **dignity and worth of the individual and the importance of human relationships** are core values of the program. **Critical thinking** is also a fundamental component of the program supported by **multicultural sensitivity, human rights, and social and economic justice.**

# When do you do Foundation Field?

**-Start: August 2016**

(1st week of class; also have Practice II)

**-End by: May 2017**

(last week of class; also have SW Research)

**-400-hour minimum requirement**

# Pre-Field Activities

- Orientation with Field Director (today!)

- Resume Review

  - Send resume to Susie Schwieger @ Graduate college at [susan.schwieger@uni.edu](mailto:susan.schwieger@uni.edu) by May 1, 2016 (put “Distance Education MSW Foundation Resume” in subject line)

- Skype/Phone Conference/Google Chat with Field Director after resume is reviewed (plan for 30 minutes)

# Social Work Website

1. [www.uni.edu/csbs/socialwork](http://www.uni.edu/csbs/socialwork)
2. Click on “Field Instruction”
3. Resources
  - approved sites (Field Placement Sites for the State of Iowa)
  - pre-placement forms
  - placement forms

# Field Experience Sites

## -Intern Placement Tracking System (IPT)

1 - Details of the field site

2 - Contact for interviews

3 - Student profile

4 - Evaluations

# Social Media Analysis

-69% of employers say they have rejected a candidate because of what they saw/read on a social media site.

-68% of employers admit that the presence of positive social media contributed to their hiring.

Facebook-Twitter-LinkedIn-Google+



# Requirements During Field

1. **Seminars** total of 12 contact hours (online, plan for synchronous or combo)
2. **Learning Plan** due by week 3 of the field experience.
3. **Summary of learnings** sent to liaison and shared with agency instructor (15-16).
4. **Other reports** (agency report, lit review, EPAS summary)
5. **Evaluations** (midterm, end, self-efficacy, field program)
6. **Log of Hours**

# Other

- Field is credit/no credit; Seminar is graded.
- Additional costs with Health Care related field placements (handout)
- Typically unpaid (stipend from agency)
- Internships with current employer
- Release of information (sign and turn in today)

# Timelines and Deadlines

May 1, 2016 - Resume to Susie Schwieger ([susan.schwieger@uni.edu](mailto:susan.schwieger@uni.edu))

June 1, 2016 - Field session with Jenny Becker

August 1, 2016 - Site secured; contract turned in

August/1st week of class - Start of Foundation field

December 2016 - midterm eval

May 2017 - final eval

August 2018 (2nd field experience)

# Looking Ahead.....

## 2nd Field Experience

-500 Hours - 250 in the Fall 2018

- 250 in the Spring 2019

-15-16 hours/week

-Pass/Fail for field; Seminar is graded (14 hours)

-Assignments

# Questions



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