

Social Work Graduation Guidelines for Specialty Emphasis

Marriage and Family Emphasis (8 Credits)

- *SOWK649 Advanced Family Therapy (2)
- *SOWK626 Children & Adolescent Therapy (2)
- *SOWK640 Interventions in Marital Conflict (2)
- *SOWK647 Crisis Intervention (2)
- SOWK410 Children & Families at Risk (2)
- SOWK545 Counseling & Spirituality (2)
- SOWK440 Assessment & Treatment of Victims of Violence (2)
- SOWK460 Death & Grief in Contemporary Society (2)
- SOWK627 Solution-Focused Therapy (2)
- SOWK475 Topics: Dealing with Difficult People (2)
- SOWK415/455 Substance Use/Treatment of Substance Abuse (2)

* Required 3 out of 4 for emphasis, last 2 credits your choice.

Mental Health Emphasis (8 Credits)

- *SOWK627 Solution-Focused Therapy (2)
- *SOWK647 Crisis Intervention (2)
- *SOWK629 Treatment of Adult Mental Disorders (2)
- *SOWK675 Topics: Psychopharmacology (2)
- SOWK460 Death & Grief in Contemporary Society (2)
- SOWK545 Counseling & Spirituality (2)
- SOWK675 Sexual Addictions Workshop (2)
- SOWK640 Interventions in Marital Conflict (2)
- SOWK475 Topics: Dealing with Difficult People (2)
- SOWK415/455 Substance Use/Treatment of Substance Abuse (2)

* Required 3 out of 4 for emphasis, last 2 credits your choice.

Administration & Development Emphasis (8 Credits)

- *SOWK638 Leadership in Social Work (2)
- *SOWK655 Organizational/Community Assessment (2)
- *BSAD530 Management of Not-for-Profit Organizations (3)
- *SOCI535/BHSC648 Grant-writing (2)
- SOCI520 Concepts of Community Development (2)
- SOWK475 Topics: Dealing with Difficult People (2)
- PSYC515 Org. & Human Resources (2)

* Required 3 out of 4 for emphasis, last 2 credits your choice.

School Social Work Emphasis (8 Credits)

- *SOWK620 School Social Work (2)
- *EDPC644 Psychological Testing (3)
- *EDPC525 Psychology & Education of Exceptional Children (3)

* Required 3 out of 3 for emphasis.

Emergency Preparedness Emphasis (9 Credits)

- *SOWK408 Intro to Emergency Preparedness (2)
- *SOWK425 Emergency Planning (2)
- *BSAD526 Emergency Management (3)
- *SOWK449 Disaster Response & Emergency Operations (2)
- SOWK478 Principles & Practice of Hazards Mitigation (3)
- COMM535 Crisis Communications (3)
- SOWK477 Community Assessment & Capacity Mapping (2)
- SOWK535 Field Instruction (Emergency Preparedness Emphasis) (1-2)
- SOWK627 Solution-Focused Therapy (2)

* Required 4 out of 4 for emphasis.

Emphasis Description

Marriage and Family Emphasis

Students completing an emphasis in Marriage and Family will:

- Learn therapeutic models for working with children, couples, and families.
- Gain understanding of common problems with children, adolescents, couples, and families.
- Practice specific interventions in working with children, adolescents, couples, and families.

Some jobs you might expect to obtain with this area of emphasis include the following: Marriage and Family Counselor, Child/Adolescent Therapist, Mental Health Clinician.

Mental Health Emphasis

Students completing an emphasis in Mental Health will:

- Learn and apply therapeutic models in addressing client concerns.
- Study evidence-based therapeutic models and specific interventions for treatment of common mental disorders.
- Complete a treatment plan based on assessment and diagnosis for clients.

Some jobs you might expect to obtain with this area of emphasis include the following: Mental Health Clinician, Family Counselor, Hospital Social Worker, Addictions Therapist.

Administration & Development Emphasis

Students completing an emphasis in Administration and Development will:

- Develop administrative capabilities necessary in the public and private sector.
- Learn and practice specific leadership techniques for managing programs and people.

Some jobs you might expect to obtain with this area of emphasis include the following: Social Services Director, Program Administrator, Social Work Supervisor.

School Social Work Emphasis

Students completing an emphasis in School Social Work will:

- Learn and practice specific therapeutic tools and measures in working with children and adolescents.
- Study childhood disorders and therapeutic models in addressing these within a school system setting.

Some jobs you might expect to obtain with this area of emphasis include the following: School Social Worker, Case Manager, Guidance Counselor.

Emergency Preparedness Emphasis

Students completing an emphasis in Emergency Preparedness will:

- Develop a comprehensive emergency management philosophy and professional framework.
- Learn leadership skills useful in visioning, team-building, and advocating for resource allocations.
- Integrate management principles, planning, and evaluation.

Some jobs you might expect to obtain with this area of emphasis include the following: Emergency Management Specialist, Program Director, Training Liaison.

