## Curriculum Proposal

### SOWK 19-20 #19

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### Program Modification

1.2 Social Work, B.S. major

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Curriculum Modification Summary

College: Individual and Community Health
Department: Social Work
Proposer: Sue Rickers
Proposer’s position: Department Chair

Describe the modification(s) you propose, and how it (they) will work to students’ advantage. (This description and explanation will be included in Curriculum Report packets forwarded to the Faculty Senate.):

The Social Work Department seeks to focus the Diversity Requirement on issues of diversity and oppression. For this reason, the Department seeks to add the following courses that provide a more in-depth understanding of oppression to the choices students have to complete the requirement:

- ENVR 3600: Environmental Justice and Sustainability
- INST 4900: Social Justice
- SOC 3320: Social Class and Inequality
- SOC 3270: Intersectionality
- COMM 3150: Gender Communication
- GWS 3850: Sex, Gender, & Power: Theories and Practice

And delete the following courses that focus more generally on diversity from the choices that meet the requirement:

- ANTH 1110 Cultural Anthropology
- SOWK 2310: The American Indian: Social Welfare Perspective

The changes will provide students the necessary foundation to understand the intersection of diversity and oppression as it plays out in the individuals, groups, organizations, and communities they will work with upon graduation. The change also supports the necessary depth of understanding of oppression necessary to be successful in advanced Social Work courses.

Modifications proposed (specify number of each):

- Course Modification(s) (form 2)
- New Course(s) (form 3)
- Course Drop(s) (form 4)
- Program Modification(s) (form 5)
- New Program(s) (form 6)
- Program Drop(s) (form 7)

The modifications affect (check):

- Liberal Education
- Undergraduate Curriculum
- Graduate Curriculum
- Teacher Licensure Program(s)
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Program Modification Form

Program to be modified: Social Work, B.S. major

List all proposed change(s):
Add the following courses as options to satisfy the Diversity & Oppression Requirement:
- ENVR 3600: Environmental Justice and Sustainability
- INST 4900: Social Justice
- SOC 3320: Social Class and Inequality
- SOC 3270: Intersectionality
- COMM 3150: Gender Communication
- GWS 3850: Sex, Gender, & Power: Theories and Practice

Delete the following courses from the options that satisfy the Diversity Requirement:
- ANTH 1110 Cultural Anthropology
- SOWK 2310: The American Indian: Social Welfare Perspective

Reason(s) for the change(s):
The Social Work Department seeks to focus the Diversity Requirement on issues of diversity and oppression. In the past the focus has been more generally focused on diversity. For this reason, the Department seeks to add the identified courses that provide a more in-depth understanding of oppression to the choices students have to complete the requirement and to eliminate courses that do not specifically address the issues of oppression associated with diversity.

Note: In order to avoid hidden prerequisites, if a course is being dropped from this program (but not from the entire curriculum), please check for which remaining courses may include this dropped course as a prerequisite. Course prerequisites may be found in the online catalog (http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/catalog/). Remedies for hidden prerequisites may be found under Curriculum Forms at (http://www.bemidjistate.edu/faculty_staff/faculty_association/forms/).

Note: If a course from another department/program was either added to or dropped from this program, please notify the chair/coordinator of that course's department/program and indicate the following:
The course’s home department/program was notified of the addition or dropping of their course(s) on __10/7__ (date) by _____email_ (mail, email, or phone).

Please check one of the items below:
- ______ No comments were received from other programs or departments within one week of the notification.
Comments were received within one week of the notification, and are attached.

- 10/7/19 Center for Sustainability Studies (ENVR 3600)
- 10/7/19 Sociology and Communication Studies (SOC 3320, SOC 3270, COMM 3150, GWS 3850 and ANTH 1110)
- Voicemail received from Vivian Delgado approving (INST 4900)

**Note:** If this is a joint program, the signatures of both department chairs (and both deans, if different colleges) must be provided.

**Alert:** Attach a copy of the current program showing the marked changes.
Please copy the current program from the online catalog (http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/catalog/) and paste it into Word. Then use either the Track Changes feature under Tools, or the underline and strikethrough Font feature under Format. (Please note that the Track Changes feature may be easily switched on and off by holding down the Ctrl+Shift+E keys.)
Social Work, B.S. major

Required Credits: 69
Required GPA: 2.50

All individual social work courses must reflect a letter grade of a C or better.

I REQUIRED CORE COURSES

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- CRJS 3201 Research Methods and Statistics for Criminal Justice (3 credits)
- PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)
- SOC 3001 Social Statistics (3 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- SOWK 2120 Introduction to Social Welfare (3 credits)
- SOWK 2140 Field Experience in Social Work (3 credits)
- SOWK 2160 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I (3 credits)
- SOWK 3160 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (3 credits)
- SOWK 3201 Family: Dynamics and Intervention (3 credits)
- SOWK 3260 Social Welfare Policy (3 credits)
- SOWK 3551 Generalist Practice I (3 credits)
- SOWK 3552 Generalist Practice 2 (3 credits)
- SOWK 3553 Generalist Practice 3 (3 credits)
- SOWK 4450 Social Work Research Seminar (3 credits)
- SOWK 4880 Internship Orientation (1 credit)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- SOWK 4970 Internship (6-12 credits)

II REQUIRED SUPPORTING FOUNDATION COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1110 Human Biology (4 credits)
- POL 1200 Introduction to American Politics (3 credits)
- PSY 1100 Introductory Psychology (4 credits)
- PSY 2217 Abnormal Psychology (4 credits)
- SOWK 2110 Intercultural Communication (3 credits)
- SOWK 2130 Interpersonal Relations (2 credits)

III DIVERSITY REQUIREMENT

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:
- ANTH 1110 Cultural Anthropology (3 credits)
- COMM 3150 Gender Communication (3 credits)
- ENVR 3600 Environmental Justice and Sustainability (3 credits)
- GWS 3850 Sex, Gender and Power: Theories and Practice (3 credits)
- INST 4900 Social Justice (3 credits)
- HST 2700 The History of World Religions (3 credits)
- INST 1107 Introduction to Turtle Island (3 credits)
- SOC 2230 Race and Ethnic Relations (3 credits)
- SOC 3270 Intersectionality (3 credits)
- SOC 3320 Social Class and Inequality (3 credits)
- SOWK 2310 The American Indian: Social Welfare Perspective (3 credits)
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Form 8
Updated: 09.18.15

Signatures

_Susan Rickers / Associate Professor / 10.17.19_____________________________________
Proposer / Title / Date

_Susan Rickers / Social Work / 10.17.19_____________________________________
Chair or Director / Department or Program / Date
Note: "All departmental recommendations [on curriculum] must be reviewed and approved by the department's faculty." --IFO/MnSCU Master Agreement 2009-2011, 20.A.3 (p. 80).

At this point, packet goes to Records Office/Curriculum Coordinator to be logged in to the Curriculum Proposal Progress Grid.

_Joe Ritter / Individual and Community Health / 10.28.19_________________________
Dean / College / Date

Note: If proposal is sent back to the Proposer, please notify the Curriculum Coordinator. If approved, packet goes to Academic Affairs Office.
Hi Sue,

We are excited to say that we have a new curriculum coming in Spring 2020 (it was just approved at Senate this week) and given your needs we would recommend the following courses to fulfill the Social Work requirement on Diversity and Oppression:

1. SOC 2730 Race and Ethnic Relations
2. SOC 3320 Social Class and Inequality
3. SOC 3270 Intersectionality
4. COMM 3150 Gender Communication
5. GWS 3850 Sex, Gender, Power

These course deal with different aspects of diversity and oppression such as race, class, gender and sexuality. We are looking forward to having Social Work students in our classes!

Best wishes,
Rucha

_____________________________________
Dr. Rucha Ambikar
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Chair, Department of Sociology and Communication Studies
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From: "Rickers, Sue R" <Sue.Rickers@bemidjistate.edu>
Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 9:16 AM
To: "Ambikar, Rucha" <Rucha.Ambikar@bemidjistate.edu>
Subject: Re: Curriculum Change

Hi Rucha,

Sounds good and thanks,

Sue

From: Ambikar, Rucha <Rucha.Ambikar@bemidjistate.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 5:11 PM
Rickers, Sue R

From: Kivi, Paul A
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 4:38 PM
To: Isaacson, Carl W; Rickers, Sue R
Cc: Carlson, Anna M
Subject: RE: Curriculum Change

As the primary instructor of this course, I am glad to see this change and think it will be a good fit. -Dr. Paul Kivi

From: Isaacson, Carl W <Carl.Isaacson@bemidjistate.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 3:52 PM
To: Rickers, Sue R <Sue.Rickers@bemidjistate.edu>
Cc: Kivi, Paul A <Paul.Kivi@bemidjistate.edu>; Carlson, Anna M <Anna.Carlson@bemidjistate.edu>
Subject: RE: Curriculum Change

Sue,

Thank you for the information. I will inform my faculty and they can inform you if there is any feedback.

Carl

From: Rickers, Sue R <Sue.Rickers@bemidjistate.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 3:50 PM
To: Isaacson, Carl W <Carl.Isaacson@bemidjistate.edu>
Subject: Curriculum Change

Hi Carl,

I’m emailing because the Social Work Department is making changes to the courses that meet our Diversity and Oppression requirement. We are proposing the addition of ENVR 3600: Environmental Justice & Sustainability to our potential list of courses that would meet the requirement.

I look forward to any feedback you have regarding this addition.

Thanks,
Sue

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