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Office Hours: 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday
COLLABORATE Sessions will take place Monday @ 7 p.m (every other week). Attendance is optional but highly encouraged.

- Please note that emails received after 5:30 p.m. will not be answered until the next day. Exceptions will be made for emergency situations at the discretion of the instructor.

Course Information

Course Description
The course provides an in-depth look into social work practice with groups, organizations, and communities, including the use of communication skills, supervision, and consultation. The course focuses on interventions at the advanced macro level of engagement, assessment and evaluation, planning for service delivery, implementing empirically based interventions, and evaluating outcomes. Advanced Generalist social work practice is anchored in and applies social work values, ethics, knowledge, and adheres to the mission of the profession focusing on the strengths, capacities, and resources of client systems in relation to the broader social environment (i.e., human behavior in the social environment content). Advanced Generalist social work practice uses a general intervention model (i.e., the helping process), based on the knowledge, skills, and values of the social work profession; and includes client engagement; assessment, planning, intervention, evaluation, termination, and follow-up. Students will learn to base evidenced supported interventions at the advanced macro level on clients, organizations, and community strengths, capacities, and resources that are designed to help clients overcome challenges and resolve deficits based on the helping process. Each of the steps
in the general intervention model, and their associated activities and processes, are covered in
detail in this course as they apply to large groups, organizations, and communities (i.e., direct
practice on the advanced mezzo and macro levels).

Course Credits
3 credit hours

Prerequisite and Co-requisite Courses
SWK 6361

Prerequisite Skills
An understanding of human behavior theories, social work competencies, values, ethics, and
skills needed for work at the macro level of advanced generalist practice. Accessing Internet
websites, using ASU Library resources, and proficiency with Microsoft Word and/or PowerPoint
are expectations of the Department of Social Work

Program Outcomes
Upon completion of the program of study for the MSW program, the graduate will be prepared
to:

Student Learning Outcomes

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### Student Learning Outcome

By completing all course requirements, students will be able to:

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<td>Implement the strategies that empower individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities in various contexts of practice.</td>
<td>Competency 8: Intervene with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities</td>
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<td>Discern evaluation methods to measure the extent of change to individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities.</td>
<td>Competency 9: Evaluate Practice with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities</td>
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### Course Delivery

This is an online course offering. The course will be delivered via the Blackboard Learning Management System. The course site can be accessed at ASU's Blackboard Learning Management System.

### Required Texts and Materials


### Recommended Texts and Materials


*NOTE: All assignments submitted in this course are to be written in strict accordance with the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (6th ed.) 2nd Publication.*
Technology Requirements

Testing via Respondus™ Monitor

Access to Exams will be through Respondus™ Lockdown Browser and will be video recorded via Respondus™ Monitor [See Other Required Materials for a list of needed equipment]. Use of another electronic device is prohibited.

There is one practice quiz: a short 10 question practice quiz over ASU trivia that is not graded. This tool will be available to the student to assure accessibility. Students are highly encouraged to go through the practice quiz in advance of taking a graded quiz. This process will allow you to become familiar with the technology associated with testing and improve the testing environment. These quizzes, instructional videos, and more information regarding Respondus Monitor can be found under the Respondus Monitor Help tab in your Blackboard course.

To participate in one of ASU’s distance education programs, you need this technology:

- A computer capable of running Windows 7 or later, or Mac OSX 10.8 or later
- The latest version of one of these web browsers: internet Explorer, Firefox, or Safari
- Microsoft Office Suite or a compatible Open Office Suite
- Adobe Acrobat Reader
- High Speed Internet Access
- Ethernet adapter cable required (wireless connections can drop during tests and Collaborate sessions)
- Webcam

Refer to Angelo State University’s Distance Education website for further technology requirements: Angelo State University's Distance Education Website

Topic Outline

Module 1: Includes chapters I and 2 providing an overview of advanced practice at the macro level with groups. We will also discuss a brief history of group work approaches, supportive groups, and organizational groups.

Module 2: Includes 3 and 4 and takes an in-depth look at social problems, solving problems and making social change at the community level.

Module 3: Includes 5 and 6 and discusses advanced practice with organizations.
Module 4: Includes 7 and 8 and involves the assessment and intervention of and with institutions. Other topics covered include social work practice at the global level, diversity, ethics and standards, and groups across the lifespan.

Communication

Faculty will respond to email and/or telephone messages within 24 hours during working hours Monday through Friday. Weekend messages may not be returned until Monday.

- Please note that emails received after 6 p.m. will be answered the following morning.

Written communication via email: All private communication will be done exclusively through your ASU email address. Check frequently for announcements and policy changes. In your emails to faculty, include the course name and section number in your subject line.

Virtual communication: Office hours and/or advising may be done with the assistance of the telephone, Collaborate, Skype, etc.

Grading

Evaluation and Grades

Course grades will be determined as indicated in the table below.

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Grading System

Course grades will be dependent upon completing course requirements and meeting the student learning outcomes.

The following grading scale is in use for this course:

- A = 90.00-100 points
- B = 80.00-89.99 points
- C = 70.00-79.99 points
D = 60.00-69.99 points  
F = 0-59.99 points (Grades are not rounded up)

**Teaching Strategies**

Students are expected to be “active learners.” It is a basic assumption of the instructor that students will be involved (beyond the materials and lectures presented in the course) discovering, processing, and applying the course information using peer-review journal articles, researching additional information and examples on the Internet, and discussing course material and clinical experiences with their peers.

**Assignment and Activity Descriptions**

*Please note: Rubrics for all assignments and activities are located at the end of this syllabus.

**Journal Submissions**

30%

There will be 4 journal submissions worth 30 percent of your grade. Journal submissions will be graded on the following criteria; Critical thinking, Integration of course content, and Grammar, Spelling, and Punctuation. You MUST use at least one peer reviewed journal article IN ADDITION to your textbook to support your comments.

**Practice Presentations/Paper**

30%

Throughout the semester, students will create 2 presentations and write 1 paper in order to improve their ability to engage, assess, intervene, and evaluation groups, organizations, and the community. The paper will conform to the standards of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th Edition (2010). Each paper will be no more than 5-7 pages in length (not including cover page and references).

Plagiarism is the presentation of someone else's information as though it were your own. If you use the words or ideas of another person; or if you use material from any source--whether a book, journal, magazine, newspaper, business publication, broadcast, speech, electronic media, peer, or any other source--you must acknowledge that source. Plagiarism on the grant proposal will result in the student not receiving credit for their submission.
Students will apply advanced knowledge of human behavior and the social environment, person-in-environment, and other multidisciplinary theoretical frameworks to engage with and assess a small group (i.e. a Kiwanis Club International, Lions Club, Daughters of the American Revolution, Daughters of the Republic of Texas or a local coalition). Students will create a video presentation or a power point presentation with voice over discussing how to engage the group, how to assess any unmet needs of the group, select appropriate intervention strategies based on the assessment, research knowledge, and values and preferences of the group in order to address the needs, and then select and use appropriate methods for evaluation of outcomes of the proposed intervention. Students MUST use 5 peer reviewed journal articles in addition to any other resources utilized. When creating your presentation, you may use the following outline as a guide.

I. Introduction
II. Engagement
   a. Brief history and purpose of the group
   b. Characteristics/Demographics of the group members
   c. Discuss why you selected this particular group and how you will gain access to the group
   d. Discuss how you will engage the group
   e. Discuss the groups response to your interaction with them
III. Assessment
   a. Current objectives used to meet group purpose
   b. Discuss group perceptions of their current work and include a discussion of the groups strengths and limitations
   c. How will you conduct your assessment of the group
      i. What data will you use/what assessment tool
      ii. How will you gain access to and collect the data
      iii. What research will need to be completed along with the assessment
   d. Identify areas of additional needs paying close attention to small projects that could make a big difference for this group in terms of needed funds or increasing the groups presence within the community
IV. Proposed Interventions
   a. Propose an intervention for each need.
   b. Present and discuss the evidence supporting your interventions as best practices
c. How will you gain support from the group members for you proposed interventions?
   i. Who will you approach first and why?
   ii. Will you approach the group for their input? Why or why not?

d. Discuss the benefits and outcomes of each intervention

e. Clearly layout how you would implement one of your 2 proposed interventions
   i. Who will be a part of your action system?

f. Identify any barriers to implementing your selected intervention.
   i. How will you plan to manage the barriers you identify?

g. How will you handle opposition to the proposed changes?
   i. What tactics are you prepared to use?

V. Proposed Evaluation
   a. Discuss how you will evaluate the efficacy of your chosen intervention (i.e. pretest/post-test, survey etc.)

VI. Conclusion

Organization/Social Service Agency Practice Presentation 10%

Students will apply advanced knowledge of human behavior and the social environment, person-in-environment, and other multidisciplinary theoretical frameworks to engage with and assess an organization/social service agency. Students will discuss how to engage the organization/agency, how to assess any unmet needs of the targeted population, select appropriate intervention strategies based on the assessment, research knowledge, and values and preferences of the agency/organization in order to address the needs, and then select and use appropriate methods for evaluation of outcomes of the proposed intervention. Students MUST use 5 peer reviewed journal articles in addition to any other resources utilized. When creating your ppt with voice over or video presentation, please use the following outline:

I. Introduction

II. Engagement
   a. Brief history of the agency/organization including mission statement, goals, objectives
   b. Current population served (including socio-economic status, ethnicity, gender, age, etc.)
   c. Discuss how you would engage with the agency/organization

III. Assessment
   a. Current objectives used to meet agency/organization goals
b. Discuss agency/organization perceptions of their current work and include a discussion of the agency/organization strengths and limitations

c. Identify either a policy or staff development need (can be an existing policy or a new policy) in need of improvement (this can be identified by someone at the agency or by you)

d. How will you conduct your assessment of the policy or staff development issue
   i. What data will you use
   ii. How will you gain access to and collect the data
   iii. What research will need to be completed along with the assessment

IV. Proposed Interventions
   a. Identify a policy or in-service need to develop staff and propose an intervention for the policy or in-service need.
   b. Discuss the evidence supporting your policy change or staff-development as a best practice.
   c. How will you present this information to the agency administration to gain their support?
      i. Who will you approach first and why?
      ii. Will you approach agency staff for their input? Why or why not?
   d. Discuss the benefits and outcomes of each intervention
   e. Clearly layout how you would implement your proposed policy update/change or in-service staff development
   f. How will you handle opposition to your proposed intervention
      i. What tactics are you prepared to use?

V. Proposed Evaluation
   a. Discuss how you will evaluate the efficacy of your chosen intervention (i.e. pretest/post-test, survey etc.)

VI. Conclusion

Community Practice Paper 10%

Students will apply advanced knowledge of human behavior and the social environment, person-in-environment, and other multidisciplinary theoretical frameworks to engage with and assess an identified community issue. Students will discuss how to engage with stakeholders and key individuals within the community, how to assess any unmet needs of the community, select appropriate intervention strategies based on the assessment, research knowledge, and values and preferences of the community in order to address the needs, and then select and use appropriate methods for evaluation of outcomes of the proposed intervention. Students MUST use 5 peer reviewed journal articles in
addition to any other resources utilized. When writing your paper please use the following as an outline:

I. Introduction

II. Engagement
   a. Describe the community to be assessed (include demographic make-up, socioeconomic issues, and current services available)
   b. Identify Stakeholders and Key Individuals (who you believe have power and influence in the community and discuss why you believe this to be true)
   c. Identify the strengths and limitations of the Stakeholders and Key Individuals
   d. Discuss how you would engage the stakeholders and key individuals in the community
      i. How will you approach each stakeholder?

III. Assessment
   a. Discuss how you assess the community
      i. What data will you use
      ii. How will you gain access to and collect the data
      iii. What research will need to be completed along with the assessment
   b. Identify a community need based on your assessment
      i. What are the strengths of the community
      ii. What are the limitations of the community
      iii. Will there be a need to build within the community in order to create a capacity for change? How will you do this?
   c. Identify 2 potential interventions for the identified need

IV. Proposed Interventions
   a. Propose and discuss one intervention designed for the identified need.
   b. Present and discuss the evidence supporting your intervention as a best practice
   c. Discuss the benefits and outcomes of the intervention
   d. Clearly layout how you would implement the proposed interventions
      i. How will you organize the community
      ii. How will you delegate responsibilities
      iii. What are your goals and objectives
      iv. How will you deal with opposition to your proposed intervention
      v. Identify the power tactics you will be prepared to use when engaging those in opposition. Why did you select those
specific power tactics? Which power tactics would you not select and why?

V. Proposed Evaluation
   a. Discuss how you will evaluate the efficacy of your intervention (i.e. pretest/post-test, survey etc.)

VI. Conclusion

Mock Advocacy Presentation

40%

Students will create and present a PPT presentation with audio voice-over addressing the needs of a marginalized group, population, or service identified in the community assessment paper. Students will focus on addressing how they would organize a grass-roots movement to address the needs of the identified target system.

Mock Advocacy Presentation Outline

I. Introduction
II. Describe the Community assessed.
   a. Include demographic make-up, socioeconomic issues, and current services available.
   b. Identify Stakeholders and Key Individuals (who you believe have power and influence in the community and discuss why you believe this to be true)
   c. Identify the strengths and limitations of the Stakeholders and Key Individuals
   d. How did you approach each stakeholder?

III. Discuss How You Assessed the Community.
   a. What data did you use?
   b. How did you gain access to and collect the data?
   c. What research did you conduct along with the assessment?
   d. What are the strengths and limitations of the community?
   e. Identify the target system and community need you determined based on your assessment

IV. Discuss the communities assets
   a. What are the built assets of your community (physical structures such as a community center or meeting places)?
   b. What are the natural assets (which might include a community’s environment, quality of life, etc.)?
   c. What are the social assets (include factors such as the friendliness of residents and resources that bring people together i.e. church or neighborhood parties)?
d. What are the economic assets (such as available jobs, economic conditions, etc.)?
e. What are the service assets (which include health, educational, and welfare services available to community members)?

V. Outline in detail how you would advocate for the community change needed.
   a. How will you organize the community?
      i. Who will be a part of your action system in the change process?
      ii. What is your action plan?
      iii. What are the potential costs and benefits of your plan?
   b. How will you delegate responsibilities
c. Outline your goals and objectives
d. How will you deal with opposition?
e. Identify the power tactics you will be prepared to use in advocating for change. Why did you select those specific tactics? Which power tactics would you not select and why?

VI. Conclusion

Assignment Submission

All assignments MUST be submitted through the Assignments link in the Blackboard site. This is for grading, documenting, and archiving purposes. Issues with technology use arise from time to time. If a technology issue does occur regarding an assignment submission, email me at anne.scaggs@angelo.edu and attach a copy of what you are trying to submit. Please contact the IT Service Center at (325) 942-2911 or go to your Technology Support tab to report the issue. This lets your faculty know you completed the assignment on time and are just having problems with the online submission feature in Blackboard. Once the problem is resolved, submit your assignment through the appropriate link. This process will document the problem and establish a timeline. Be sure to keep a backup of all work.

Late Work or Missed Assignments Policy

POLICY ON LATE OR MISSED ASSIGNMENTS
The course is set up on weekly modules. The week begins on Monday and ends on Sunday. Assignment due dates are shown on the calendar/schedule of this syllabus or posted within Blackboard. Failure to submit your assignments on the assigned date will result in a 10 point deduction for the first day and a 5 point deduction for each day after the posted deadline. No papers or postings will be accepted more than one week past the assigned due date.
General Policies Related to This Course

All students are required to follow the policies and procedures presented in these documents:

- Angelo State University Student Handbook
- Angelo State University Catalog

Student Responsibility and Attendance

This class is asynchronous, meaning you do not have to be on-line at a certain time. There are readings which you will have to complete to be able to adequately participate in individual and group assignments. In order to complete this course successfully, you do have to participate in all course activities i.e. discussion boards, course projects, reflective logs, etc. Students are expected to engage in course activities and submit work by due dates and times. The hope is that students will make substantive contributions which reflect integration of assigned materials as well as any outside readings as appropriate. Scholarly contribution is an expectation. For planning purposes, this class will probably require a minimum of 6-9 study hours per week on average.

Note: This course utilizes Collaborate to engage in role plays, case study, and interaction. A day and 2 session times will be offered for students to have some flexibility. Attendance is mandatory. Collaborate times will be posted in Banner and a reminder email will be sent the day of the sessions.

Academic Integrity

Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in all work. Any student found guilty of any form of dishonesty in academic work is subject of disciplinary action and possible expulsion from ASU.

The College of Health and Human Services adheres to the university’s Statement of Academic Integrity.

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

ASU is committed to the principle that no qualified individual with a disability shall, on the basis of disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs or activities of the university, or be subjected to discrimination by the university, as provided by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments of 2008 (ADAAA) and subsequent legislation.
Student Disability Services is located in the Office of Student Affairs, and is the designated campus department charged with the responsibility of reviewing and authorizing requests for reasonable accommodations based on a disability. It is the student’s responsibility to initiate such a request by contacting an employee of the Office of Student Affairs, in the Houston Harte University Center, Room 112, or contacting the department via email at ADA@angelo.edu. For more information about the application process and requirements, visit the Student Disability Services website. The employee charged with the responsibility of reviewing and authorizing accommodation requests is:

Dallas Swafford
Director of Student Disability Services
Office of Student Affairs
325-942-2047
dallas.swafford@angelo.edu
Houston Harte University Center, Room 112

Incomplete Grade Policy
It is policy that incomplete grades be reserved for student illness or personal misfortune. Please contact faculty if you have serious illness or a personal misfortune that would keep you from completing course work. Documentation may be required. See ASU Operating Policy 10.11 Grading Procedures for more information.

Plagiarism
Plagiarism is a serious topic covered in ASU’s Academic Integrity policy in the Student Handbook. Plagiarism is the action or practice of taking someone else’s work, idea, etc., and passing it off as one’s own. Plagiarism is literary theft.

In your discussions and/or your papers, it is unacceptable to copy word-for-word without quotation marks and the source of the quotation. It is expected that you will summarize or paraphrase ideas giving appropriate credit to the source both in the body of your paper and the reference list.

Papers are subject to be evaluated for originality. Resources to help you understand this policy better are available at the ASU Writing Center.
Student Absence for Observance of Religious Holy Days
A student who intends to observe a religious holy day should make that intention known in writing to the instructor prior to the absence. See ASU Operating Policy 10.19 Student Absence for Observance of Religious Holy Day for more information.

Copyright Policy
Students officially enrolled in this course should make only one printed copy of the given articles and/or chapters. You are expressly prohibited from distributing or reproducing any portion of course readings in printed or electronic form without written permission from the copyright holders or publishers.

Syllabus Changes
The faculty member reserves the option to make changes as necessary to this syllabus and the course content. If changes become necessary during this course, the faculty will notify students of such changes by email, course announcements and/or via a discussion board announcement. It is the student’s responsibility to look for such communications about the course on a daily basis.

Title IX at Angelo State University
Angelo State University is committed to providing and strengthening an educational, working, and living environment where students, faculty, staff, and visitors are free from sex discrimination of any kind. In accordance with Title VII, Title IX, the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE), and other federal and state laws, the University prohibits discrimination based on sex, which includes pregnancy, and other types of Sexual Misconduct. Sexual Misconduct is a broad term encompassing all forms of gender-based harassment or discrimination and unwelcome behavior of a sexual nature. The term includes sexual harassment, nonconsensual sexual contact, nonconsensual sexual intercourse, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, stalking, public indecency, interpersonal violence (domestic violence or dating violence), sexual violence, and any other misconduct based on sex.

You are encouraged to report any incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Office of Title IX Compliance and the Director of Title IX Compliance/Title IX Coordinator, Michelle Boone, J.D. You may submit reports in the following manner:

Online: www.angelo.edu/incident-form
Face to face: Mayer Administration Building, Room 210
Phone: 325-942-2022
Email: michelle.boone@angelo.edu
Note, as a faculty member at Angelo State, I am a mandatory reporter and must report incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator. Should you wish to speak to someone in confidence about an issue, you may contact the University Counseling Center (325-942-2371), the 24-Hour Crisis Helpline (325-486-6345), or the University Health Clinic (325-942-2171).

For more information about resources related to sexual misconduct, Title IX, or Angelo State’s policy please visit: www.angelo.edu/title-ix.

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Jan. 25-31  
Complete the Self-Introduction  
Collaborate Session 1/25 @ 7 p.m. |
| Week 2          | Read Chapter 1: Assessment of Groups  
Feb. 1-7  
Journal 1: You are working with a co-leader who continually tells the group what to do and inserts himself/herself into the middle of every conversation. What is the likely impact of this behavior? (Please make sure you find at least one peer reviewed journal article in addition to your book to support your comments). DUE 2/7 eod |
| Week 3          | Read Chapter 2: Group Work: A Critical Addition to the Social Work Repertoire  
Feb. 8-14  
Collaborate Session 2/8 @ 7 p.m. |
| Week 4          | Watch (Pelech et al) Lecture videos: Supportive Groups & Organizational Groups.  
Feb. 15-21  
Assignment 1: Group Presentation due 2/21 eod |
| Week 5          | Read Chapter 3: Assessment of Communities  
Feb. 22-28  
Collaborate Session 2/22 @ 7 p.m. |
| Week 6          | Journal 2: How can approaches to community assessment be used to empower residents or community members and build community capacity? (Please make sure you find at least one peer reviewed journal article in addition to your book to support your comments). DUE 3/7 eod  
Mar. 1-7 |
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| Week 7 Mar. 8-14  | Read Chapter 4: Intervention with Communities  
Collaborate Session 3/8 @ 7 p.m.                                                                                                                                   |
| Week 8 Mar. 15-21 | Assignment 2: Community Paper due 3/21 eod                                                                                                                      |
| **Week 9 Mar. 22-28** | Read Chapter 5: Assessment of Organizations  
Collaborate Session 3/22 @ 7 p.m.  
**Journal 3:** Identify and discuss the major steps in internal management and how the steps impact the effectiveness of an organization. *(Please make sure you find at least one peer reviewed journal article in addition to your book to support your comments). DUE 3/28 eod* |
| Week 10 Mar 29- Apr. 4 | Read Chapter 6: Intervention with Organizations                                                                                                                  |
| Week 11 Apr. 5-11 | Assignment 3: Organization Presentation due 4/11 eod  
Collaborate Session 4/5 @ 7 p.m.                                                                                                                                   |
| Week 12 Apr. 12-18 | Read Chapter 7: Assessment of Institutions                                                                                                                       |
| Week 13 Apr. 19-25 | Final Collaborate Session 4/19 @ 7 p.m.  
**Journal 4:** Which early reformer/pioneer do you believe had the most significant impact on institutional assessment and why? *(Please make sure you find at least one peer reviewed journal article in addition to your book to support your comments). DUE 4/25* |
| Week 14 Apr. 26- May 2 | Read Chapter 8: Intervention with Institutions  
Advocacy Presentations Due 5/2 eod                                                                                                                                    |
| Week 15 May 3-9 | Evaluations                                                                                                                                                       |
| Week 16 May 10-14 | Finals Week                                                                                                                                                       |

**Grading Rubrics**

SWK 6369 Group Presentation Rubric

I. Introduction
II. Engagement - _____(15 pts.)
You must present: Brief history and purpose of the group,
Characteristics/Demographics of the group members, Discuss why you
selected this particular group and how you will gain access to the group,
Discuss how you will engage the group, and Discuss the groups
response to your interaction with them

III. Assessment - _____(20 pts.)
You must present: Current objectives used to meet group purpose,
Discuss group perceptions of their current work and include a discussion
discoveries strengths and limitations, How will you conduct your
assessment of the group including: What data will you use/what
assessment tool, How will you gain access to and collect the data, What
research will need to be completed along with the assessment, and
Identify areas of additional needs paying close attention to small
projects that could make a big difference for this group in terms of
needed funds or increasing the groups presence within the community

IV. Proposed Interventions - ____ (35 pts.)
Please cover your: Proposed intervention for each need, Present and
discuss the evidence supporting your interventions as best practices,
How will you gain support from the group members for you proposed
interventions? Who will you approach first and why? Will you approach
the group for their input? Why or why not? Discuss the benefits and
outcomes of each intervention, Clearly layout how you would
implement one of your 2 proposed interventions. Who will be a part of
your action system? Identify any barriers to implementing your selected
intervention. How will you plan to manage the barriers you identify?
How will you handle opposition to the proposed changes? What tactics
are you prepared to use?

V. Proposed Evaluation - ____ (15 pts.)
Discuss how you will evaluate the efficacy of your chosen intervention
(i.e. pretest/post-test, survey etc.)

VI. Conclusion

The quality of your presentation which includes audio recording, flow of information,
adherence to the outline, references, and visual aids - _________(15 pts.)
II. Engagement - _____ (15 pts.)  
Please provide: Brief history of the agency/organization including mission statement, goals, objectives, Current population served (including socio-economic status, ethnicity, gender, age, etc.), and Discuss how you would engage with the agency/organization

III. Assessment - _____ (20 pts.)  
You need to discuss: Current objectives used to meet agency/organization goals, Discuss agency/organization perceptions of their current work and include a discussion of the agency/organization strengths and limitations, Identify either a policy or staff development need (can be an existing policy or a new policy) in need of improvement (this can be identified by someone at the agency or by you), How will you conduct your assessment of the policy or staff development issue? What data will you use? How will you gain access to and collect the data? What research will need to be completed along with the assessment?

IV. Proposed Interventions - _______ (35 pts.)  
Please: Identify a policy or in-service need to develop staff and propose an intervention for the policy or in-service need, Discuss the evidence supporting your policy change or staff-development as a best practice, and How will you present this information to the agency administration to gain their support? Who will you approach first and why? Will you approach agency staff for their input? Why or why not? Discuss the benefits and outcomes of each intervention, Clearly layout how you would implement your proposed policy update/change or in-service staff development, How will you handle opposition to your proposed intervention? What tactics are you prepared to use?

V. Proposed Evaluation - _____ (15 pts.)  
Clearly layout and discuss how you will evaluate the efficacy of your chosen intervention (i.e. pretest/post-test, survey etc.)

VI. Conclusion

The quality of your presentation which includes audio recording, flow of information, adherence to the outline, references, and visual aids - _______ (15 pts.)

SWK 6369 Community Practice Paper Rubric

I. Introduction

II. Engagement - _____ (15 pts.)  
Describe the community to be assessed (include demographic make-up, socioeconomic issues, and current services available). Identify Stakeholders and Key Individuals (who you believe have power and
influence in the community and discuss why you believe this to be true). Identify the strengths and limitations of the Stakeholders and Key Individuals. Discuss how you would engage the stakeholders and key individuals in the community. How will you approach each stakeholder?

III. Assessment - ______ (20 pts.)
Discuss how you assess the community. What data will you use? How will you gain access to and collect the data? What research will need to be completed along with the assessment? Identify a community need based on your assessment. What are the strengths of the community? What are the limitations of the community? Will there be a need to build within the community in order to create a capacity for change? How will you do this? Identify 2 potential interventions for the identified need.

IV. Proposed Interventions - ______ (35 pts.)
Propose and discuss one intervention designed for the identified need. Present and discuss the evidence supporting your intervention as a best practice. Discuss the benefits and outcomes of the intervention. Clearly layout how you would implement the proposed interventions. How will you organize the community? How will you delegate responsibilities? What are your goals and objectives? How will you deal with opposition to your proposed intervention? Identify the power tactics you will be prepared to use when engaging those in opposition. Why did you select those specific power tactics? Which power tactics would you not select and why?

V. Proposed Evaluation
Discuss how you will evaluate the efficacy of your intervention (i.e. pretest/post-test, survey etc.)

VI. Conclusion

Adherence to APA and Grammar/Spelling - ______ (15 pts.)

Mock Advocacy Presentation Rubric

I. Introduction

II. Describe the Community assessed. ______ (10 pts.)
You need to discuss demographic make-up, socioeconomic issues, and current services available. Identify Stakeholders and Key Individuals (who you believe have power and influence in the community and discuss why you believe this to be true). Identify the strengths and limitations of the Stakeholders and Key Individuals and talk about how you approached each stakeholder.

III. Discuss How You Assessed the Community. ______ (15 pts.)
What data did you use? How did you gain access to and collect the data? What research did you conduct along with the assessment?
What are the strengths and limitations of the community? Identify the target system and community need you determined based on your assessment.

IV. Discuss the community’s assets ________(25 pts.)
What are the built assets of your community (physical structures such as a community center or meeting places)? What are the natural assets (which might include a community’s environment, quality of life, etc.)? What are the social assets (include factors such as the friendliness of residents and resources that bring people together i.e. church or neighborhood parties)? What are the economic assets (such as available jobs, economic conditions, etc.)? What are the service assets (which include health, educational, and welfare services available to community members)?

V. Outline in detail how you would advocate for the community change needed. ________(35 pts.)
Talk about how you will organize the community. Who will be a part of your action system in the change process? What is your action plan? What are the potential costs and benefits of your plan? How will you delegate responsibilities? Outline your goals and objectives. How will you deal with opposition? Identify the power tactics you will be prepared to use in advocating for change. Why did you select those specific tactics? Which power tactics would you not select and why?

VI. Conclusion

The quality of your presentation which includes audio recording, flow of information, adherence to the outline, references, and visual aids - ________(15 pts.)

Student Evaluation of Faculty and Course

Students in all programs are given the opportunity to evaluate their courses and the faculty who teach them. Evaluations are most helpful when they are honest, fair, constructive, and pertinent to the class, clinical experience, or course. Faculty value student evaluations, and use student suggestions in making modifications in courses, labs and clinical experiences. Angelo State University uses the IDEA (Individual Development and Educational Assessment) system administered through Kansas State University for all course evaluations. The Office of Institutional Research and Assessment administers IDEA for the entire university, online and has established a policy whereby students can complete course evaluations free from coercion.
1. Gaining a basic understanding of the subject (e.g., factual knowledge, methods, principles, generalizations, theories)
2. Developing knowledge and understanding of diverse perspectives, global awareness, or other cultures
3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)
4. Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course
5. Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team
6. Developing creative capacities (inventing, designing, writing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.)
7. Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.)
8. Developing skill in expressing oneself orally or in writing
9. Learning how to find, evaluate, and use resources to explore a topic in depth
10. Developing ethical reasoning and/or ethical decision making
11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view
12. Learning to apply knowledge and skills to benefit others or serve the public good
13. Learning appropriate methods for collecting, analyzing, and interpreting numerical information

End of Syllabus

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