Ideas for enhancing your:
• Advocacy Skills
• Earning Potential
• Career Trajectory
• Preparedness for Promotions

Courses to improve your practice skills with:
• Older Adults
• People Connected to the Military
• People Involved in the Justice System
• Cognitive Behavioral Interventions

IN THIS SPECIAL ISSUE, YOU WILL FIND:

CONSIDER JOINING THESE CLASSES THIS FALL!
Did you know that the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)

- Predicts an increase in job openings for Social Work managers of 22% between 2016 and 2026; and
- Indicates that general social workers have an annual mean wages of about $45,000 compared to managers who on average earn $76,160.

Did you know...

It is highly likely, if you are a direct practice student, that you will be promoted to managerial positions without any graduate-level education in management, leading to
- "imposter syndrome"
- lower levels of satisfaction in helping other employees perform at a higher level
- Clients suffering from inadequately managed case workers.

Enrolling in this certificate program can increase your skills and promotion opportunities and lead to more effective services for clients!

BECOME A BETTER CHANGE AGENT BY GAINING VITAL SKILLS NOW!

All occupational projection data retrieved from: http://www.projectionscentral.com/Projections/LongTerm
Wage data retrieved from https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics4_813300.htm
SOCW 5312 (Online) Community and Administrative Practice
Surveys theory and builds skills in roles associated specifically with Community practice (e.g. community/locality development, social planning, social action) and Administrative practice (e.g. supervision, administration, management and management systems). Students complete an advanced assignment in community and/or organizational assessment and program design. 
Prerequisite: Advanced Standing Student OR SOCW 5306 AND SOCW 5681 OR SOCW 5881.

SOCW 5320 (Online) Advanced Administrative Practice
Focuses on selected topics, issues, and skills for effective social work administration. Content includes: Leadership, Worker motivation, Resource development, Interagency relations and Managing conflict and diversity in a climate of scarce resources. 
Prerequisite: SOCW 5312 or concurrent enrollment

SOCW 5324 (Online) Social Work Supervision
Introduces the roles, functions, and contexts of social work supervision. Covers administrative and clinical perspectives on the social work supervisor in human services organizations as Manager, Educator, Mentor, Mediator, and Leader. 
Co-requisite: SOCW 5311 OR SOCW 5312
SOCW 5332 (Online) Direct Practice with Aging
Presents an overview of current issues in the care, treatment, and delivery of social services to the aging. Practice conducting a bio-psycho-social-spiritual assessment. Learn about interventions that empower and enhance the coping capacities of older adults with a consideration for issues of client diversity. Explore ethical principles and ethical dilemmas influence interventions with older adults and their families. Learn the skills needed for effective social work practice and review social theories on aging.
Co-requisite: SOCW 5311

SOCW 5335 (Online) Aging in American Society
Identifies major theories of aging, in the United States and across cultures. Explores the diverse factors of aging from various perspectives including psychological, biological, sociological, and spiritual. Integrates theory into practice thus providing students a sound foundation for social work practice with older adults. Develops skills for completing multi-dimensional assessments, and effective social work interventions with and on behalf of older adults.
Prerequisite: SOCW 5301 and SOCW 5307

SOCW 5334 (Online) Family Caregiving & Aging
Acquire knowledge about the individual and social impact of family caregiving and aging within a bio-psycho-social context. Explore the role(s) of social workers in helping individuals, families, and communities face the contemporary challenges of caregiving. Employ a strengths-based framework. Survey the effects of culture on family caregiving, families' process of providing care to persons with chronic and/or complex illness across levels of care (e.g. hospital/rehabilitation/hospice), grandparents raising grandchildren working with family caregivers within long-term care (e.g. nursing homes, assisted living) as well as and home-and-community based care settings (e.g. independent living, adult day centers, using lay volunteers for support), dementia caregiving, technology and family caregiving (e.g. social robotics, telehealth) end of life care and evidence-based assessment and intervention with family caregivers. Discuss social services and policy that social workers need to know in order to practice effectively with older adults and their family caregivers. Learn innovative approaches for addressing challenges in family caregiving (e.g. technology). Consider issues of family caregiving faced by diverse, marginalized, and oppressed populations.
Co-requisite: SOCW 5311
SOCW 5356 Cognitive Behavioral Intervention Strategies
Explores the three historical phases CBT's development:
1. Behavioral
2. Cognitive, and now
3. Mindfulness, Acceptance, and Commitment
Addresses interventions across life-span development, culture, and clinical issues such as depression, anxiety, trauma, substance abuse, cognitive disorders, bereavement, etc. Teaches assessment and interventions drawn from evidence-based practice knowledge and informed practice wisdom.
Prerequisite: SOCW 5311

SOCW 5371 (Face to Face) Inequities and Incarceration
This course:
• Develops the understanding of the role of social workers with clients within the criminal justice system and the legal system.
• Focuses on theory, intervention, and advocacy with diverse forensic populations including juveniles, adults, people accused of crimes, victims of crimes, and related systems.
• Explores forensic practice in family and social services, juvenile justice and criminal justice, child welfare, and mental health and substance abuse.
• Assumes a justice oriented, multi-systems, and interdisciplinary approach.

SOCW 5355 (Online) Military Social Work
Topics in this course will include:
• Military culture and diversity
• Military and non-military policy
• Military sexual trauma
• The neurobiology of PTSD
• Traumatic brain injury and the military
• Suicide in the military
• Transitioning veterans into civilian life
• Families impacted by military services
• The cycle of deployment
• Grief, loss and bereavement in military