

# PhD Course Descriptions

**702 Theories of Human Behavior in the Contexts of Social Environments (3, Fall)** A focus on human behavior in interaction with the social environment; major paradigms including general systems theory, ego psychology and role theories are examined.

**703 Explanatory Theories for Larger Social Systems (3, Fall)** Theories of organizational and community behavior are examined in relation to their influence on the development of social services.

**733 Policy Analysis and Advocacy in a Comparative Social Policy Context (3, Fall)** Examination of the evolution of American and other welfare states in selected nations. Analysis of global welfare institutions. Engaging in policy analysis in a comparative context.

**743 Theories for Practice with Small Systems (3, Fall)** Early practice theories and their historical roots are examined. Implications for evolving current practice theories with individuals, families and groups are discussed.

**744 Theories for Practice with Large Systems (3, Fall)** Examination of the development and utility of theories, models and approaches to social work community and administrative practice.

**760L Introduction to Social Work Statistics (3, Fall)** Foundation course covering univariate and bivariate descriptive and inferential statistics. Required lab covering basic computer skills and utilization of statistical software.

**761L Multiple Regression for Social Work Research (3, Spring)** Multivariate statistical methods including descriptive and inferential statistics, parametric and non-parametric tests of hypotheses; correlation, analysis of variance, multiple regression and factor analysis; utilization of computer programs for statistical analysis.

**762 Social Work Research Methods I (3, Fall)** Models of research, the nature of inquiry and the research process including problem formulation, measurement, designs, sampling and data sources. Prerequisite: doctoral standing.

**763 Social Work Research Methods II: Issues in Research for Social Work Practice (3, Spring)** Research methods to provide students with advanced methodological knowledge in two areas related to social work practice: psychotherapy outcome research and program research. Prerequisite: SOWK 762.

**764 Advanced Multivariate Statistics (3, Fall)** Introduction to single equation statistical modeling using limited dependent variables (categorical and ordered categorical). Methods are drawn from statistics and econometrics.

**780 Adult Learning Theory and Social Work Education (2, Spring)** Description and analysis of current problems and issues in higher education with particular emphasis on social work education. Prerequisite: SOWK 763, SOWK 760L, SOWK 733, SOWK 702, SOWK 703.

**781 Guided Teaching Experience (2, Fall/Spring)** Mentorship with a member of the teaching faculty; discussions of curriculum design; observation; preparation and delivery of selected course sessions. Graded CR/NC. Prerequisite: SOWK 780.

**785 Guided Research Internship (2, Fall/Spring)** Research practicum designed to provide students with hands-on practical experience with an ongoing faculty research project. Graded CR/NC. Prerequisite: SOWK 763.

**790 Research (1-12, Fall/Spring)** Research leading to the doctorate. Maximum units which may be applied to the degree to be determined by the department. Graded CR/NC.

**794abcdz Doctoral Dissertation (2-2-2-2-0, Fall/Spring)** Credit on acceptance of dissertation. Graded IP/CR/NC