

Wayland Baptist University
Social Work
JUAD/SOCI 3322
Term Dates: 11/9/09 – 2/13/10

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Class Meetings: Monday, 5:30 to 9:40p.m. at CPF

Course Description: This course examines the knowledge base, perspectives, values, working concept, and goals of social work practice including case work, group work, and community.

Prerequisites: None.

Text: Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare, 9th edition by Charles Zastrow

Objectives:

1. Students will demonstrate the ability to recognize, describe, and understand the nature and pace of knowledge, values, ethics, practice principles, and skills in social work practice.
2. Students will demonstrate the understanding of the basic communication and intervention skills used in social work.
3. Students will demonstrate understanding of various community resources and the importance of utilization of these resources on the individual, group, or community level.

Course Requirements:

- **Exams:** Exams will cover the reading assignments, lectures, classroom assignments, and guest speakers. There will be two (2) exams, each worth 100 points. Late exams will only be given in extreme situations.
- **Agency Interview and Oral Reports:** You are required to select a social service agency of your choice. Schedule an appointment to visit the agency and interview a staff member. Complete a written description of the interview and tour (4-5 pages typed, double-spaced) and make a 10 minute oral presentation of the visit to the class. The agency that you choose must be submitted in advance for approval. This assignment is worth 100 points.
- **Attendance and Participation:** Attendance and participation at all class meetings is required. One absence due to illness, family emergency, etc. may be excused as long as the instructor is notified. Any absence beyond the one “excused” will result in the loss of 25 points. Any student who misses 25% or more of the regularly scheduled class meetings will receive a grade of “F” in the course.
- **Chapter Reaction Papers:** In order to receive a final course grade of an “A”, you must complete this assignment. Write a one (1) page reaction paper to each chapter. Include

items learned and thoughts provoked in your reading of each chapter. The reaction papers for each chapter must be turned in at the time of taking the test for that chapter. It is strongly recommended that you complete them at least for the first test to better gauge what grade you may be able to earn.

It is University policy that no otherwise qualified person with a disabling condition be excluded from participation, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any educational program or activity in the University. Any student, who because of a disabling condition may require some special arrangement in order to meet course requirements, should contact the instructor on the first day of class to make the necessary accommodations.

Course Evaluation:

2 exams, 100 points each	200 points
1 Research Paper, 100 points	100 points

Total Points Possible: 300 points

Final Grades:

A	90-100% (and completion of all reaction papers)
B	80-89%
C	70-79%
D	60-69%
F	Below 60%

Course Outline:

11/9	Introduction, Chapters 1
11/16	Chapters 2 & 3
11/23	Chapters 4 & 5
11/30	Chapters 6 & 7
12/7	Test 1 (Chapters 1-6), Chapter 8
12/14	Chapters 9 & 10
12/21 & 12/28	No Class
1/4	Chapters 11 & 12
1/11	Test 2 (Chapters 7-12), Chapter 13
1/18	MLK Holiday, No class
1/25	Agency Presentations
2/1	Complete Agency Presentations