

Prefix and Course Number: SWK3010

METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE OF DENVER
Office of Academic Affairs

REGULAR COURSE SYLLABUS

School of : Letters, Arts, and Sciences

Department: Social Work

CIP Code: 44.0701

Semester(s) Offered: Fall and Spring

Prefix & Course Number: SWK3010 **Crosslisted With*:** _____

Course Title: Social Work Services for Children and Adolescents

Check All That Apply: Required for Major: ___ Required for Minor: ___ Specified Elective: ___ Required

for Concentration: X Elective: X Service Course: ___

Credit Hours: 4 (4+0)

Contact Hours: Lecture 60 Lab _____ Internship _____ Practicum _____

Schedule Type(s): L and J **Grading Mode(s):** L

Repeat* (Variable topics): _____

*(Pertinent only if the course can be repeated; enter maximum number of hours that can be earned by taking this course.)

Restrictions (Variable Topics Course): _____

Prerequisite(s): none

Corequisite(s): ___

Prerequisite(s) or Corequisite(s): ___

Banner Enforced:

Prerequisite(s): ___

Corequisite(s): ___

Prerequisite(s) or Corequisite(s): ___

Catalog Course Description:

Policy issues and social work practice in the fields of child welfare, school social work, and services for youth in trouble with the legal system are examined. Needs and rights of children are significant themes. Field visits to APPROVED:

Department Chair/Institute Director

Date

Dean

Date

Associate VP, Academic Affairs

Date

*If crosslisted, attach completed Course Crosslisting Agreement Form

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child serving agencies are arranged.

Required Reading and Other Materials will be equivalent to (Title, Author, Publisher, Copyright Date):

Social Work Practice with Children, Nancy Boyd Webb, Guilford Press, (2003 or current edition).

Specific (Measurable) Student Behavioral Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Utilize a framework for the analysis of social services related to children and youth.
2. Discuss the needs and problems of children and youth.
3. Delineate the rights of children.
4. Utilize principles and concepts of social work with children.
5. Describe the organization of social services for children.
6. Identify local and national resources useful in child welfare.
7. Explore the social changes and social problems which necessitate provision of child welfare services.
8. Identify gaps in the present service delivery system
9. Interview a child

Detailed Outline of Course Content (Major Topics and Subtopics) or Outline of Field Experience/Internship (experience, responsibilities and supervision):

- I. Definitions and Boundaries of Social Work Fields in Which Children are the Primary Concern
 - A. Family and Child Social Welfare Services
 - B. School Social Work.
 - C. Services for Youth in Trouble with the Law.
- II. Needs, Rights, and Major Developmental Tasks of Children and Youth
- III. Selected Problems of Children
 - A. Emotional Disturbances.
 - B. Developmental Disabilities
 - C. Children of Divorce.
 - D. Learning Disabilities
 - E. Other
- IV. Child Welfare Services
 - A. Supportive Services
 1. Community- Based Services to Children in their Homes.
 2. Protective Services for Abused and Neglected Children
 3. Services for Young Unmarried Parents
 - B. Supplementary Services
 1. Income Maintenance; Social Security and the T.A.N.F. Programs
 2. Day Care and Head Start Programs

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- C. Substitute Services
 - 1. Foster Care
 - 2. Adoption
 - 3. Residential Facilities and Group Homes
- D. Preventative Approaches

- V. School Social Work
 - A. Services for Youth in Trouble with the Law
 - 1. Courts; Probation and Parole.
 - 2. Diversion Programs; Status Offenders
 - 3. Residential Facilities
 - 4. Street-work with Juvenile Gangs

Evaluation of Student Performance:

Students will be evaluated on the basis of Participation in Discussions and Activities and, Quality of Student Presentations and Written Reports.