Practicum Seminar

During all community placements, students are concurrently enrolled in Practicum Seminar coursework that will guide and support their internship experience.

Practicum Seminar is a place where students, together with their Faculty Liaison, process experiences in their chosen pathway in relationship to social work concepts. Practicum discussions and activities are designed to integrate theory with practice and to support students to gain information about community resources. Practicum courses allow faculty to monitor and support student progress in the agency. Practicum activities encourage students to process the experiences in the field on practical, conceptual, and ethical levels. Students are also encouraged to support one another's personal-professional growth in understanding the use of self. Practicum is a space where students have the opportunity to cultivate and demonstrate their knowledge, values, and skills in developing partnerships to benefit people and environmental conditions.

On-campus Practicum students meet on a weekly basis. Distributed Learning students will participate in weekly Practicum activities, which may include discussion forums, presentations and live sessions.

In addition to the Practicum seminars, students who are participating in various Stipend Programs are also required to attend additional seminar courses.

For BASW students, this includes:

SW 459: Child Welfare Training Seminar (1.5)

This is a required component of the Title IV-E stipend program. Course addresses advanced competencies in child welfare practice.

[Prereq: complete foundation coursework & current stipend recipient. CR/NC. Rep once for credit.]

SW 480: Wellness Coach Seminar

This course is designed to provide the necessary supplemental resources for social work seniors to complete remaining requirements to register for the CA Wellness Coach II Certification, alongside an appropriate youth (0-25) serving practicum placement for a minimum of 400 hours and a completed BASW degree.

For MSW students this includes:

SW 559: Child Welfare Training Seminar (1.5)

This is a required component of the Title IV-E stipend program. Course addresses advanced competencies in child welfare practice.

[Prereq: complete foundation coursework & current stipend recipient. CR/NC. Rep once for credit.]

SW 658: Mental Health Training Seminar (1.5)

This is a required component of the mental health stipend program. Focuses on advanced competencies for practice in mental health settings.

[Prereq: complete foundation coursework & current stipend recipient. CR/NC. Rep once for credit.]

SW 659: Advanced Child Welfare Training Seminar (1.5)

This is a required component of the Title IV-E stipend program. Course addresses advanced competencies in child welfare practice.

[Prereq: complete foundation coursework & current stipend recipient. CR/NC. Rep once for credit.]