SW2250 - Introduction to Social Work/Social Welfare

Credits:	3 (3/0/0)
Description:	This course introduces students to social welfare and social work, including fields of practice, institutions, populations served, special issues and an introduction to some social work methods and theories. A general historical and contemporary overview of the profession is provided, including its values, ethics, methods, multiple settings and a beginning use of system theory.
Prerequisites:	
Corequisites:	
Pre/Corequisites*:	
Competencies:	1. Analyze the basic concepts of social work and social welfare. 2. Analyze social work's professional history and how it impacts practice today. 3. Demonstrate an understanding of the Council of Social Work Education's core social work competencies. 4. Demonstrate an understanding of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Code of Ethics. 5. Discuss how the social work field responds to changing locales, populations, scientific and technological developments, and emerging societal trends. 6. Demonstrate increased self-awareness of personal biases and values in working with diverse groups. 7. Analyze the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination. 8. Discuss the role of social work in advocating for human rights and social and economic justice. 9. Describe the profession of social work, its relationship to the institution of social welfare and values that guide its practice. 10. Explain the tasks and phases of social work practice. 11. Describe the evolving nature of theories and practice approaches that inform social work practice.
MnTC goal areas:	None

**Can be taking as a Prerequisite or Corequisite.*

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