## Minnesota State University Moorhead

# SW 515: Research Methods in Social Work

## A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

This course is the study of research methods (designs) and processes including assessing problems, analyzing and presenting data, and monitoring and evaluating intervention and services in social work practice.

## B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 05/05/2022 - Present

## C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- 1. Analyzing and presenting data
- 2. Applying theory
- 3. Assessing problems
- 4. Monitoring/evaluating social work interventions
- 5. Posing research questions

## **D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)**

- 1. Explain/apply research methods/tools.
- 2. Demonstrate effective written communication.
- 3. Use NASW Code of Ethics to guide research.
- 4. Use multiple sources of knowledge to inform research.
- 5. Differentiate/critique/apply hypotheses in social work research.
- 6. Differentiate/critique/apply data collection, analyses, presentation strategies in research.
- 7. Differentiate/critique/apply research designs in social work research.
- 8. Differentiate/critique/apply sampling methods in social work research.

## E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

## F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

## **G. SPECIAL INFORMATION**

None noted