Minnesota State University Moorhead

SW 560: Social Policy & Policy Practice

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 examines the development of social welfare polices and current policy structures, and policy practice, advocacy, analysis, and evaluation used in agency, community, and legislative settings.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 05/06/2022 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- 1. Policy analysis and change processes
- 2. Policy evaluation
- 3. Political and economic perspectives
- 4. Relationship between social policy and social work practice
- 5. Social welfare policy development

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

- 1. Analyze a social problem's history and systems impact on individuals, families, groups, organizations, and society.
- 2. Develop a policy change proposal to address the social problem and advance social well-being.
- 3. Explain one model of policy change advocacy.
- 4. Analyze, formulate, advocate for policies that advance social well-being.
- 5. Discuss methods of collaborating with clients and colleagues for effective policy action.

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

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted