# Graduate Programs—NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

**Department:** Social Work  
**College:** College for Design & Social Inquiry  

## Recommended Course Identification

*(To obtain a course number, contact nmaldonado@fau.edu)*

- **Prefix:** SOW  
- **Course Number:** 7619  
- **Lab Code (L or C):** C  
- **Complete Course Title:** Clinical Social Work Supervision and Administration  

## Effective Date

(First term course will be offered)  
**Summer, 2017**

## Credits

3

## Textbook Information


## Grading

*(Select only one grading option):*  
- Regular X  
- Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

## Course Description, No More than Three Lines:

This course focuses on administrative and clinical supervision for social workers. Frameworks and critical tasks involved in administration and supervision of clinical social workers are examined.

## Prerequisites*

- Completion of an MSW

## Corequisites* NA

## Registration Controls (Major, College, Level)*

- Must be a DSW student

*(Prerequisites, corequisites and registration controls will be enforced for all course sections.)*

## Minimum Qualifications Needed to Teach this Course:

**Member of the Graduate Faculty of FAU and has a terminal degree in the subject area (or a closely related field).**

Faculty contact, email and complete phone number:  
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Please consult and list departments that might be affected by the new course and attach comments.

*Nursing, Education, Arts and Letters*
Email this form and syllabus to **UGPC@fau.edu** one week before the University Graduate Programs Committee meeting.
John Graham

From: Marlaine Smith
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2015 11:33 AM
To: John Graham
Cc: Michael Kane
Subject: RE: DSW syllabi and New course proposal forms for the GPC: Marlaine Smith, Nursing

Dear John,
I reviewed these courses and see no significant overlap between these and graduate courses offered in the College of Nursing. Let me know if there is any other way that I can support your development of the DSW.

Marlaine

Marlaine C. Smith, RN, PhD, AHN-BC, FAAN Dean and Helen K. Persson Eminent Scholar Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing Florida Atlantic University
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The Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing is dedicated to Caring: advancing the science, practicing the art, studying its meaning and living it day-to-day.

-----Original Message-----
From: John Graham
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2015 8:58 AM
To: Marlaine Smith
Cc: Michael Kane
Subject: DSW syllabi and New course proposal forms for the GPC: Marlaine Smith, Nursing

Good morning Marlaine,

The School of Social Work is in the process of seeking approval for the Doctor of Social Work degree.

I am attaching some course syllabi and would be enormously grateful if your office could quickly peruse them to ensure that they are not duplicates of courses that are offered in your programs. I doubt that they are; but we want to cover all our bases.

Would this be possible?

We are hoping to forward these syllabi and your comments to the GPC for their March 18 meeting.

We greatly appreciate your help.

All good regards,

John.
Hi John!

Thank you for running this by us.

I have quickly reviewed and agree that Paul Peluso/Dept. of Counselor Education would be the College of Education folks who need to review and comment. You should be hearing from him soon.

Val

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From: John Graham
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2015 9:08 AM
To: Valerie Bristor
Cc: Michael Kane; Paul Peluso
Subject: DSW syllabi and New course proposal forms for the GPC: Valerie Bristor, Education

Good morning Valerie,

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I asked Paul Peluso if his office could to the same perusal and let us know, too. I'm cc'ing him herewith.

We greatly appreciate your help.

All good regards,

John.

John Graham, MA MSW PhD
Director and Professor
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Good morning Paul,

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John Graham

From: Michael Horswell
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2015 5:20 PM
To: Heather Coltman
Cc: John Graham
Subject: RE: DSW syllabi and New course proposal forms for the GPC: Heather Coltman, Arts and Letters

Dear John,

I reviewed the course proposals and do not see any conflicts with the curriculum in the College of Arts and Letters.

Best,

Michael

Michael J. Horswell, PhD
Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research
Director, PhD in Comparative Studies
Associate Professor of Spanish and Latin American Literature
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From: Heather Coltman
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2015 5:04 PM
To: Michael Horswell
Subject: Fwd: DSW syllabi and New course proposal forms for the GPC: Heather Coltman, Arts and Letters

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "John Graham" <grahamj@fau.edu>
To: "Heather Coltman" <coltman@fau.edu>
Cc: "Michael Kane" <mkane@fau.edu>
Subject: DSW syllabi and New course proposal forms for the GPC: Heather Coltman, Arts and Letters
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FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF
SOCIAL WORK, DSW PROGRAM
SOW _7619_ Sec.____ Call No._____ (3 Credit Hours)
Clinical Social Work Supervision and Administration
Boca Raton Campus

Semester: Summer A, 2017                          Classroom: SO
Start/End Date: Months/Year                     Class Times:
Instructor:                                      Office Hours:
Phone:                                           Office Location:
Email:                                           Web: www.fau.edu/ssw
Blackboard: http://bb.fau.edu

DSW Program Mission
The DSW program provides doctoral-level practitioners with educational experiences that will allow them to engage in advanced clinical social work practice, conduct advanced clinical research, teach evidence-based practice courses, and assume leadership roles in the social work profession. Upon completion, DSW graduates will be able to:
• Integrate social work, social, and behavioral sciences with other disciplines as the basis for the highest level of evidence-based social work practice.
• Demonstrate professionalism, leadership, ethical principles, and scientific integrity in advanced social work practice, education, and research.
• Provide collaborative leadership in the development of social work evidence-based practice models and standards of care for diverse populations.
• Generate client, systems, practice, and outcomes research.
• Analyze theory, empirical research, and other evidence to guide improvements in social work practice.
• Utilize information systems and technology to enhance social work education and practice.

Course Description
Supervision for social work practitioners is a discipline-specific activity that prepares new practitioners for social work licensure. Advanced clinical practitioners provide this service to new social workers who are seeking state licensure. This course is an advanced level practitioner course that focuses on administrative and clinical supervision. Frameworks and critical tasks involved in administration and supervision of clinical social workers are examined. The major purpose of this course is to demonstrate how administrative activities contribute to service effectiveness for clients as well as quality working conditions for staff. Various administrative roles, functions and skills, including supervision, will be examined in light of the primary purpose of social work management and service effectiveness.
Relevance to Educational Program

Students preparing to be doctoral level social work clinicians are expected to operate in various administrative roles. Additionally, it is expected that these advanced clinicians will aid in the cultivation of social work clinicians through supervision and consultation. In this course, students will be expected to evaluate frameworks for clinical supervision and administration, develop their own philosophy of supervision and administration, and actively display those skills through peer supervision and other practice-based assignments.

Course Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of social work supervision models, including philosophical assumptions and pragmatic implications
- Articulate one’s own personal model of social work supervision, drawing from existing models of social work supervision and administration
- Facilitate supervision and administrative duties in a manner that are reflective of the client-social worker and social worker-supervision relationship
- Identify problems that emerge in both administration and supervision and utilize strategies from the identified model to resolve issues
- Anticipate and resolve ethical and legal issues that arise in social work supervision and administration

Required Textbooks/Readings

The textbooks required for this course are:


These books are available at the campus bookstore.

Safe Assign

Students agree that by taking this course all required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to SafeAssign for the detection of plagiarism. All submitted papers will be included as source documents in the SafeAssign reference database solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of such papers.
Course Assignments and Grading

Grade overview

**GRADING/EVALUATION:**
Grades will be based on the following points:

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**Total Possible Points** 300 Points

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

**Supervision Contract:** Each student will draft a contract with their peer supervisee. Students are expected to review this contract with their supervisee and make corrections, given this process. (50 points) Due week 2

**Review of administration styles** – Students will complete a literature review on leadership styles and management approaches (minimum 5 articles). Students will compare these review findings with the practices of directors, administrators, managers and/or supervisors within their chosen organization. Students will be expected to conduct interviews with administrative personnel to gather this information. Students will report on methods used and their impact on organizational culture, workforce performance, customer outcomes and operational results. Students will compare this to the research obtained during the literature search. A 3-5 page paper that focuses on identified practices within the chosen agency, reflection of practices identified in the literature and integration of the two. (50 points) Due Week 6

**Peer Supervision Journal Entries:** Part of this course will involve peer supervision of another student in the course. Each student will complete journal entries describing observations and experiences of learning and conducting the practice of supervision. Use course readings and/or other research and literature in each entry. Journals will be on Bb. (10 entries throughout the semester; 5 points each = 50 Points). See syllabus re: due dates.

**Live Recordings of Supervision:** Each student will record at least two sessions of live supervision with their supervisee. These videos will be reviewed in class. Students will describe their strategies and provide examples of connections to their theoretical model of supervision. Due weeks 12 & 13

**Supervision Philosophy:** The length of the Philosophy of Supervision paper is generally 8-10 double spaced pages not counting references or appendices. The Philosophy of Supervision paper should demonstrate a connection between theory and practice. The supervisor candidate’s philosophical and theoretical assumptions about supervision should be related to her/his practice of supervision. This paper should address:
• Awareness of patterns and sequences of replication at various system levels
• Integration of supervision literature by citing recent articles, chapters, and/or books, and how your supervision philosophy and methods of supervision relate to current supervision literature
• Explanation of your theoretical orientation by articulating your philosophies of therapy and supervision as well as the connection between them
• Cultural competency related to the multilevel implications of development, biological, socio-cultural, gender, and family-of-origin issues
• Reflection of personal values, beliefs, life experiences, and theoretical assumptions impact upon your philosophy and practice of supervision
• Theoretical consistency, whether from one prominent model or from an integrative perspective. If the latter, demonstrate a logical integration of models
• Rationale for the choice of supervisory methods and how the methods facilitate achievement of supervision goals. (100 points) Due week 15

The grading scale for this course is as follows:

93 – 100% = A  
90 – 92% = A-  
87 – 89% = B+  
83 – 86% = B  
80 – 82% = B-  
77 – 79% = C+  
73 – 76% = C  
70 – 72% = C-  
67 – 69% = D+  
63 – 66% = D  
60 – 62% = D-  
0 – 59% = F

Definition of Grades:

A = significantly exceeds assignment/performance expectations (evidence of critical thinking, quality and quantity of research, and analysis that resulted in work additional to that set forth in the assignment directions)

B = Assignment/overall performance in course meets all the requirements with evidence of critical thinking, evidence of research effort, and analysis (i.e. coherence and integration of ideas);

C = Average. Assignment/performance meets all the requirements but lacks evidence of in depth thinking and analysis and lacks evidence of research from professional journals or recent or influential books;

D = There are important gaps in the assignment both in terms of requirements and critical thinking and analysis

F = Performance not to standard to merit a passing grade.
**Course Outline and Reading Assignments**
The following outline and readings may change as the course progresses, given student interests and needs. Please read the required readings prior to the class when we will be discussing them.

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DSW Student Policies

For professional expectations of student behaviors, attendance, academic integrity, and other DSW student policies, please see www.fau.edu/SSW/DSW

Bibliography


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STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), students who require special accommodation due to a disability to properly execute course work must register with the Student Accessibility Services (SAS)—in Boca Raton, SU 133 (561-297-3880); in Davie, LA 131 (954-236-1222); or in Jupiter, SR 110 (561-799-8585)—and follow all SAS procedures (see http://www.fau.edu/sas/ for procedures and forms).

DISCRIMINATION OR HARASSMENT – 561-297-4004
Students who have concerns about on-campus discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) can contact the FAU Equal Opportunity Program for assistance. The Boca office is located in Administration Building Room 291. Our full Nondiscrimination Policy is posted on our website at http://www.fau.edu/ssw/nondiscrim.html.

RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS
This course has been arranged so that there will be no classes on religious holidays, such as Christmas or Yom Kippur. Please advise the instructor at the beginning of the term if you need accommodations for other religious holidays.

CODE OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
Students at Florida Atlantic University are expected to maintain the highest ethical standards. Academic dishonesty, including cheating and plagiarism, is considered a serious breach of these ethical standards, because it interferes with the University mission to provide a high quality education in which no student enjoys an unfair advantage over any other. Academic dishonesty is also destructive of the University community, which is grounded in a system of mutual trust and places high value on personal integrity and individual responsibility. Harsh penalties are associated with academic dishonesty. For more information, see http://www.fau.edu/regulations/chapter4/4.001_Code_of_Academic_Integrity.pdf

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