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**CURRICULUM GUIDELINES**

A. Division: **Instruction**

Effective Date:

**M:** Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

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

- 1. Discuss the knowledge base and the philosophical base of social service work**
  - Describe the major ideologies that give direction to the knowledge and philosophical base of social service work**
  - Define the interdisciplinary nature of social service work in Canada**
  - Define social policy**
- 2. Describe the development of social service work in Canada**
  - Describe the emergence of the Canadian social welfare system**
  - Identify the contribution of major social movements on the development of services**
  - Describe historical influences on current social welfare policies, services, and practices**
  - Identify competing interests of groups in society as they affect the social service system**
- 3. Discuss issues central to professional practice**
  - Identify the roles of being a generalist practitioner at the individual and community level**
  - Describe the values inherent in social service work and how these are evidenced by professional conduct**
  - Identify own values and ideological perspective as well as the students interests and capabilities for entering the profession of social service work**
  - Describe the responsibilities of the social service worker in relation to other professional staff**
  - Identify the power/authority of the professional position and how to facilitate change without abusing that power**
- 4. Conduct an analysis of social service work**
  - Identify how social problems are build into the social order in terms of structural inequalities for marginalized groups**
  - Describe feminism as a movement that critiques the institutions of society that oppress women socially, economically, politically and that works towards their transformation**

