

## Course Descriptions

### Definition of Prefixes

DIE-Dietetics; FOS-Food Science; FSS-Food Service Systems; GEY-Gerontology; HSA-Health Services Administration; HSC-Health Sciences; HUN-Human Nutrition; IHS-Interdisciplinary Health Sciences; PHC-Public Health; SOW-Social Work

**DIE 5247 Trends in Therapeutic Nutrition (3).** Evaluation and interpretation of current research in dietary care of metabolic diseases. Prerequisites: Diet therapy or approval of the instructor.

**DIE 5936 Advanced Practice Seminar (1-3).** Designed to provide didactic components in tandem with practice learning experiences in health care institutions. Covers material in clinical dietetics, management, and community nutrition. Utilizes a team approach and will draw on specialists from all areas of dietetics. Corequisites: DIE 5946, DIE 5947, DIE 5948 or permission of the instructor. (S)

**DIE 5946 Advanced Supervised Dietetics Practice I (6).** Advanced practical application of knowledge and skills in a supervised practice setting. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor. DI course does not count towards M.S. degree. (S)

**DIE 5947 Advanced Supervised Dietetics Practice II (6).** Continuation of advanced practical application of knowledge and skills in a supervised practice setting. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor. DI course does not count towards M.S. degree. (F)

**DIE 5948 Advanced Practicum in Clinical Nutrition (1-6).** Application of the principles, concepts, theories, and methodologies of administration and management to dietetic systems in healthcare and foodservice. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor. DI course does not count towards M.S. degree. (F)

**DIE 6128 Dietetic Administration and Management (3).** Application of management and organizational theory to dietetic systems in health and community institutions.

**DIE 6259 Management of Nutrition Services (3).** Analysis of interdisciplinary nutrition services delivery with emphasis on management models and theories regarding division of work, quality improvement and productivity, leadership, motivation and planning, organizing, staffing, directing, and controlling.

**DIE 6368 Advanced Techniques in Dietetic Practice (2).** Techniques and approaches in changing nutritional behavior, establishing private practice, providing dietetic services in various size institutions, hospitals, nursing homes, and in the community. Prerequisites: DIE 4435, DIE 4435L or equivalent. Corequisite: DIE 6368L. (S, even years)

**DIE 6368L Advanced Techniques Dietetic Practice Lab (1).** Individual practice in conducting interviews, planning nutritional care, changing nutritional behavior, and providing dietetic consultation. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor. Corequisite: DIE 6368. (S, even years)

**DIE 6568 Research Methods in Dietetics (3).** Consideration of scientific methods and theoretical orientation as applied to research in dietetics. Special consideration given to various techniques of investigation,

data collection, data organization, and interpretation. Prerequisites: STA 6166 or permission of the instructor.

**DIE 6576 Project in Dietetics and Nutrition (1-6).** Development and completion of a research project on a specific, important topic, question or need in the area of dietetics and nutrition. Prerequisites: DIE 6568; 12 hours graduate study, and permission of project advisor.

**DIE 6578 Qualitative Research Methods in Dietetics (3).** Application of qualitative research methods including field and case study approaches in interpreting and designing research studies. Introduction to interdisciplinary research. Prerequisite: DIE 6568.

**DIE 6906 Readings in Dietetics and Nutrition (1-3).** Individual advanced study in a comprehensive overview of dietetics and nutrition or in-depth advanced study of a specialty. Prerequisites: Permission of the instructor and advanced standing in graduate program. (F,S,SS)

**DIE 6907 Individual Study in Dietetics (1-3).** Intensive individual investigation of a phase of dietetics. Emphasis on recent findings in dietetics and allied disciplines. Prerequisite: Permission of the Instructor. (F,S,SS)

**DIE 6915 Supervised Research (1-3).** Continuation of thesis research under thesis advisor. Repeatable. Prerequisite: Completion of all other required course work. (F,S,SS)

**DIE 6929 Specialized Short Courses in Dietetics and Nutrition (1-3).** Intense courses on specialized topics in dietetics and nutrition for the advanced student or professional. Topic based on current nutrition concerns. Prerequisites: Advance graduate standing and permission of the instructor.

**DIE 6935 Special Topics in Dietetics (3).** In-depth study of historical, epidemiological, prevention, and treatment aspects of topics related to dietetics. Prerequisites: Competence in topic covered, admission to graduate program.

**DIE 6937 Graduate Seminar in Dietetics and Nutrition (1).** Presentations by researchers and doctoral students on studies, theories, applications; journal club presentations by students. Two semesters enrollment, M.S. students; three semesters Ph.D. students. (F,S)

**DIE 6971 Thesis in Dietetics and Nutrition (1-6).** Prerequisites: DIE 6568 or DIE 6578, 12 hours of graduate study and permission of Thesis advisor. (F,S,SS)

**DIE 7566 Research Concept Development in Dietetics and Nutrition (3).** Grant proposal writing for dietetic and nutrition research. Prerequisite: DIE 6568, STA 6166, and STA 6167.

**DIE 7980 Ph.D. Dissertation (1-12).** Research for doctoral dissertation. Prerequisite: Permission of Major Professor and Doctoral Candidacy.

**FOS 6236 Food Toxicology & Food Safety (3).** Discusses food and water borne bacterial, parasitic, and viral infections and intoxication. Examines food additives, and contaminants. Describes toxic food constituents as well as naturally occurring toxicants. Prerequisites: Graduate standing and food science competency.

**FSS 6535 Computer Assisted Food and Nutritional Services Management (3).** Advanced course in computer

analysis and utilization for detection and resolution of problems of food service and nutritional care. Prerequisites: Advanced graduate standing, DIE 6128 or equivalent, and computer competency.

**GEY 5006 Foundations in Gerontology for Health Professions (3).** Implications for health professions of the biological, cross-cultural, physiological, psychological, social, and societal contexts of aging.

**GEY 5600 Physical Change and Healthy Aging (3).** Primary health care and wellness with discussion and assessment of normal physiological alterations and their relationship to common health concerns and medical problems of older adults.

**HSA 5125 Introduction to Health Policy and Management (3).** The American health care system is broadly analyzed in social, economic, and political terms, including examination of its major operational and programmatic components as they have evolved in their changing patterns and trends of organizational development.

**HSA 5177 Financing and Reimbursement for Long Term Care Facilities (3).** This course introduces the theory and practice of government regulations as they pertain to long term care facilities. The program seeks to identify the critical elements for securing payments for service and study relevant capital investment procedures and policies. Prerequisite: HSA 5225. Corequisite: HSA 5227.

**HSA 5225 Long Term Care Management I (3).** Long term care facility organization and management are studied. Management implications of the social, economic, financial, and regulatory environment of nursing homes are examined. Prerequisite: HSA 6185.

**HSA 5226 Management of Long Term Care Systems (3).** Organizational, financial, and policy issues in the management of long term care systems in the U.S. with special emphasis on the State of Florida.

**HSA 5227 Long Term Care Management II (3).** Survey of theories of gerontic care for understanding the aging process. Focus is on the application of knowledge of the aging process to management and care given in nursing homes. Corequisite: HSA 5816.

**HSA 5455 Ethical Decisions in Health Services Administration (3).** This course will study ethical principles as they apply to areas of management, supervision and clinical practice in the delivery of health care. Emphasis is on managerial decision-making. Prerequisites: HSA 5125, HSA 6185.

**HSA 5816 Practicum in Applied Management in Long Term Care (3).** Students will spend 180 hours in supervised practice in a nursing home setting. They carry out managerial responsibilities related to the administration of the facility. Corequisite: HSA 5227.

**HSA 5876L Administrative Residency in Nursing Home Setting (3-6).** Students will spend 480 hours of supervised practice in a selected nursing home to gain experience in organization and management within the nursing environment. Prerequisites: HSA 5816, HSA 5225, HSA 5226, HSA 5227.

**HSA 6149 Strategic Planning and Marketing of Health Care Services (3).** Principles, techniques, and case study applications of strategic planning and marketing in the context of changing environmental, policy, and competitive forces in the health services industry. Prerequisite: Completion of 36 credit hours in program coursework.

**HSA 6175 Financial Management of Health Systems (3).** Aspects of modern hospital and health care organization financial management are covered to prepare students for executive roles in policy planning and control responsibilities involving budgeting, auditing, investing, capital financing, etc. Prerequisites: Completion of Foundation Courses or minimum of 9 credit hours of program coursework including HSA 5125, HSA 6185, PHC 6065, HSA 6176.

**HSA 6185 Management and Organizational Theory in Health Care (3).** Fundamentals of management and organizational theory with focus on roles and functions of managers, and the influences of organizational structure and design in the dynamic environment of health care systems.

**HSA 6186 Leadership and Organization Behavior in Health Care Systems (3).** Examine leadership and organizational behavior in health care settings. Personal and profession growth are encouraged through integrative study of individual, group and organizations issues. Prerequisites: Completion of Foundation Courses or minimum of 9 credit hours of program coursework including HSA 5125, HSA 6185, PHC 6065, HSA 6176.

**HSA 6187 Managing Human Resources and Health Professions (3).** Study of human resource functions and activities necessary to enhance knowledge, competencies, skills, attitudes and behavior and to improve individual and organizational performance in health care organizations. Prerequisites: Completion of Foundation Courses or minimum of 9 credit hours of program coursework including HSA 5125, HSA 6185, PHC 6065, HSA 6176.

**HSA 6197 Design and Management of Health Information Systems (3).** The development and management of health information systems to support managerial decision-making. Emphasis is on the integration of clinical, personnel, and financial data. Prerequisites: Completion of Foundation Courses or minimum of 9 credit hours of program coursework including HSA 5125, HSA 6185, PHC 6065, HSA 6176.

**HSA 6205 Hospital and Health Facilities Organization (3).** Administrative theory and management principles are examined in their application to the organizational analysis of hospitals and health care facilities. Prerequisites: HSA 5125, HSA 6185 or permission of the instructor.

**HSA 6215 HMO and Ambulatory Care Administration (3).** Overview of the management process employed in health maintenance organizations (HMO's) and other group medical practices operating under various financial arrangements, including prepayment. Prerequisites: HSA 5125, HSA 6185, or permission of the instructor.

**HSA 6415 Marketing and Demographic Analysis in Health Care (3).** This course is designed to familiarize students with analytical procedures and empirical techniques of market analysis and to equip students for practical work in market analysis. Prerequisites or Corequisites: HSA 5125 and PHC 6065.

**HSA 6426 Health Law and Legal Aspects of Management (3).** The broad range of legal issues in health care and administrative aspects of law that concern health care managers are surveyed for implications concerning malpractice, patient rights, contracts, liability and immunity, taxation, surgical consent, etc. Prerequisites: Completion of Foundation Courses or minimum of 9 credit hours of program coursework including HSA 5125, HSA 6185, PHC 6065, HSA 6176.

**HSA 6717 Advanced Health Services Management and Research Seminar (2).** Integrates the theoretical and practical knowledge of other courses in the curriculum. Case studies and relevant research provide the substantive framework for analysis of health care issues. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**HSA 6759 Quality Assessment and Outcome in Healthcare (3).** The concept of quality and quantity assessment are examined from multiple perspectives: patients, healthcare providers, payors standard setting organization and healthcare policymakers. Prerequisites: Completion of Foundation Courses or minimum of 9 credit hours of program coursework including HSA 5125, HSA 6185, PHC 6065, HSA 6176.

**HSA 6875 Administrative Residency (1-6).** Off-campus placement in residency with health care organizations under supervision of a managing preceptor at the site. Prerequisites: HSA 6930 and approval of the coordinator.

**HSA 6905 Directed Study in Health Services Administration (1-6).** The course is designed to allow students an opportunity for in-depth literature research relating to a problem or issue in health services administration under the supervision of a faculty advisor. Prerequisite: Permission of faculty advisor.

**HSA 6930 Professional Seminar in Health Services Management (1).** A professional seminar to provide career development skills in preparation for residency or master's project. Prerequisite: Completed 36 credit hours in the program coursework.

**HSA 6977 Masters Research Project (1-6).** The student will be field afforded the opportunity to conduct a research project on a specific health care management problem in a community or institutional setting. A formal proposal will be prepared and approved by faculty. Students will be expected to demonstrate during the course of this research project that they can implement theoretical knowledge and skills learned earlier in courses on research methods and design. Prerequisites: HSA 6930 and permission of advisor.

**HUN 5123 Ethnic Influences on Nutrition and Food Habits (3).** Systematic study of food habits of various cultural groups. Emphasis on methodology, analysis of data, relationship of food habits to nutritional standards, and corrective measures. Includes laboratory. Prerequisite: Competency in food preparation and nutrition. Recommended for non-majors.

**HUN 5195 International Nutrition: Problems, Policies, and Planning (3).** Advanced study of magnitude, causes and nature of under nutrition in developing countries; emphasis on programs, planning and policies directed toward alleviating hunger. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor. Recommended for non-majors.

**HUN 5245 Nutrition and Biochemistry (3).** Advanced study of the relationship of nutrition and biochemistry with emphasis on digestion, absorption, metabolism of nutrients, and determination of norms. Prerequisites: Organic Chemistry and Physiology

**HUN 5611 Nutrition Education in the Community (3).** In-depth study of nutrition education information and methods in the community including the nutrition education component of school food service and other congregate meal programs. Prerequisites: Recent courses in nutrition education or permission of the instructor.

**HUN 5621 Food, Nutrition and Communication (3).** Concepts and techniques for effective professional communication with individuals, groups and other professionals. Emphasis on communication via mass media. Prerequisites: Competency in food and nutrition knowledge.

**HUN 6248 Sports Nutrition (3).** The influence of exercise on specific nutrient demands and utilization of nutrients will be examined. Nutritional requirements and interrelationships between nutrition and exercise in the prevention and management of common diseases such as obesity, hypertension, diabetes and cardiovascular disease will also be discussed. Prerequisites: Human Nutrition and Intermediate Physiology. (S, odd years)

**HUN 6254 Drug and Nutrient Interaction (3).** The interaction of drug and nutrient metabolism in relation to optimum nutrition. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, Biochemistry, Physiology.

**HUN 6255 Nutrition in Wellness Program (3).** Examination of required factors for successful development, implementation and evaluation of wellness programs and investigation of interrelationships between nutrition/physical activity as means of chronic disease risk reduction. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition and Nutrition Education.

**HUN 6257 Physio/Psychology of Food Intake (3).** Examination of food intake regulation with applications in both research and practice. Prerequisites: Competence in nutrition and physiology.

**HUN 6266 Nutritional Assessment (3).** In-depth study of the methodology and application of nutritional assessment. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, physiology, and biochemistry.

**HUN 6285 Nutrition and Metabolism I (3).** Advanced study of the human nutrition of carbohydrates, lipid, fiber, thiamin riboflavin, pantothenic acid, biotin and choline. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, Biochemistry, Physiology.

**HUN 6286 Nutrition and Metabolism II (3).** Advanced study of the human nutrition of protein, energy, folate, vitamin B6, vitamin B12 and water. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, Biochemistry, Physiology.

**HUN 6287 Nutrition and Metabolism III (3).** Advanced study of the human nutrition of vitamins C, A, D, E, and K, and essential macro and trace minerals. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, Biochemistry, Physiology.

**HUN 6295 Contemporary Issues in Food and Nutrition (3).** Critical evaluation of current controversies in nutrition

and dietetics research. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, Biochemistry, Physiology, Research Methods.

**HUN 6307 Carbohydrates and Lipids (3).** The biological, physiological and metabolic functions of carbohydrate and lipids as they relate to human nutrition. Prerequisites: Biochemistry, Advanced Nutrition and Physiology.

**HUN 6327 Proteins (3).** Protein metabolism, physiology and nutrition. Prerequisites: Biochemistry, Advanced Nutrition, and Physiology.

**HUN 6335 Functions of Vitamins (3).** Integration of chemical, biological and physiological functions of vitamins as related to human nutrition. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, Biochemistry, Physiology. (S, even years)

**HUN 6355 Minerals in Human Nutrition (3).** The physiological and metabolic functions of selected macro and trace minerals as they relate to nutritional status in humans. Prerequisites: Advanced Nutrition, Biochemistry, Physiology. (S, odd years)

**HUN 6435 Nutrition and Aging (3).** Changes associated with aging and the impact of nutrition on these changes. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor. (S, odd years)

**HUN 6522 Public Health Nutrition (3).** Development and assessment of nutrition programs for the general population throughout the life cycle. Prerequisites: DIE 3317 or equivalent.

**HUN 7408 Nutrition Across the Lifespan (3).** The course will explore social, economic, physiologic, and lifestyle factors that influence nutrition status across the stages of growth and development, maturation, and aging. Prerequisites: HUN 4403, HUN 4241, DIE 5247.

**HUN 7523 Community Nutrition (3).** Evaluate models and methodologies to identify public health nutrition issues; analyze current and historical research/nutrition policy; recognize necessary infrastructure to support policy. Prerequisites: HUN 4410, HUN 6522, PHC 6500.

**HUN 7524 Nutrition Science and Implications for Community Health (3).** Critical examination and synthesis of current human nutrition science topics with emphasis on implications to human health, nutrition, public health policy, and research. Prerequisites: Nutritional Biochemistry and Pathophysiology.

**IHS 6502 Principles of Clinical Trials (3).** Advanced study of clinical trials including research design, ethics, monitoring and analysis. Prerequisites: PHC 6704 or equivalent.

**IHS 6937 Interdisciplinary Graduate Seminar (1-3).** Multidisciplinary seminar including foundations of reasoning and investigative methods focusing on a multi-dimensional problem related to social, legal, policy, economic, and health issues. Prerequisite: Research Methods.

**PHC 5009 AIDS: Contemporary Issues (3).** This course introduces the contemporary social and public health issues associated with the AIDS epidemic and the policies and programs designed to prevent HIV transmission.

**PHC 5113 Communities and Public Health (3).** This course addresses the socio-historical growth of Miami-Dade's populations and explores these developments in

the context of public health; including contextual, psychological and physical issues.

**PHC 5409 Public Health Behavior Change Theory and Practice (3).** A course for health promotion practitioners who lack formal training in behavior change foundations and strategies. The course emphasizes applications to practical development of health promotion interventions. (S)

**PHC 5412 Cultural Competency for Public Health (3).** Emphasizes the socio-historical growth of South Florida's populations in relation to public health competency skills. Review and critique diverse socioeconomic and historical issues relating to public health practices.

**PHC 5415 Public Health in Minority/Urban Population (3).** Covers the scope of Public Health Issues related to minority and urban populations with an emphasis on health care status, utilization of the health care system and expenditures. (F)

**PHC 5581 Public Health Aspects of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (3).** Introduction of theory, practice and scientific evidence for complementary and alternative medicine. Emphasis on regulatory issues and quality assurance; politics of use and social, cultural and historical factors.

**PHC 5930 Public Health on the Internet (1).** An extensive examination of public health topics on the internet, subject varies each semester. Theoretical, conceptual, and analytical tools for electronic searching. Prerequisite: Microsoft Windows Literacy.

**PHC 6000 Introduction to Public Health Epidemiology (3).** Introduction to the study of the distribution, determinants, and measurement of health and disease in populations, including study methods and their application to specific diseases and conditions. (F,S)

**PHC 6001 Environmental and Occupational Epidemiology (3).** This course covers outbreaks; cluster analysis; cross-sectional, case-control, cohort, ecological and time series designs; surveillance programs; environmental cancer; reproductive hazards, biological monitoring and biomarkers. Prerequisites: PHC 6315 and PHC 6000.

**PHC 6002 Infectious Disease Epidemiology (3).** This course covers principles specific to infectious disease epidemiology, explores the application of epidemiologic methods to infectious disease problems, and examines surveillance, and outbreak investigation. Prerequisites: PHC 6000 and PHC 6065.

**PHC 6003 Infectious and Chronic Disease Epidemiology (3).** A review of selected epidemiologic research methodology as it applies to infectious and chronic diseases and its application towards understanding selected major infectious and chronic diseases from a population based perspective. Prerequisite: PHC 6000 Intro to Epidemiology.

**PHC 6004 Injury Epidemiology and Prevention (3).** Analyzes the impact and extent of injuries as a public health problem. Issues of prevention, sources of data, environment, social and occupational aspects are included in an epidemiological approach. Prerequisite: PHC 6000. (SS)

**PHC 6007 Cancer Epidemiology (3).** This course will provide an understanding of the epidemiological patterns, etiology and risk factors of cancer from a community and population perspective. Prerequisite: PHC 6000.

**PHC 6008 Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology (3).** This course will increase understanding of epidemiological patterns, etiology and risk factors of selected major cardiovascular disease from a population based perspective. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065.

**PHC 6009 AIDS Epidemiology and Control (3).** Reviews the epidemiology, virology, immunology, and clinical aspects of HIV, and also examines its impact upon risk groups and the responses of society to the epidemic. (S)

**PHC 6012 Current Research in Epidemiology (3).** This course will examine current areas of research in epidemiology and bring students into contact with researchers in various fields. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065. (S)

**PHC 6013 Epidemiology Methods: Observational Design (3).** This course will examine epidemiological methods emphasizing the actual conduct of studies. Students will undertake a simulated research project. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065. (S)

**PHC 6014 Behavioral Epidemiology (3).** This course will examine human behaviors as determinants of health and disease, methods of exploring these relationships, and ways of altering risk behaviors. Prerequisite: PHC 6000.

**PHC 6016 Social Epidemiology, Health Promotion and Policy (3).** Explores the epidemiological aspects of health and medical care of the poor and disadvantaged population groups. Emphasis on the relationship of organization and delivery of health care, including health promotion, prevention, and related topics. Prerequisite: PHC 6000. (F)

**PHC 6020 Clinical Epidemiology (3).** Focus on experimental study design; development phases, recruitment of subjects and data collection; assessment of adverse effects, measurement and adherence to therapy; and sub-group analysis. Prerequisites: PHC 6065, PHC 6000, PHC 6xxx Intro to Biostatistical Computing.

**PHC 6055 Data Management and Applied Epidemiologic Analysis (3).** Covers practical issues related to the management, security, and analysis of epidemiologic data by creating, managing, and analyzing an epidemiologic database using statistical software packages.

**PHC 6056 Longitudinal Health Data Analysis (3).** Applied longitudinal health data analysis; methods to compare different health treatments and behavioral interventions. Focus will be on models for single and multiple correlated public health outcomes. Prerequisites: PHC 6xxx Regression Analysis, PHC 6xxx Analysis of Variance, Matrix Algebra.

**PHC 6062 Research Synthesis and Meta-Analysis in Public Health (3).** Use of meta-analysis to explore data, identify sources of variation among studies and identify future research questions; meta-analytic methods and software reviewed and applied to data sets.

**PHC 6064 Models for Binary Public Health Outcomes (3).** This course will offer students a focused introduction

to statistical models for the analysis of binary medical and public health data. The course will provide an introduction to the application of statistical models for PH outcomes in epidemiology, dietetics and nursing. Prerequisite: PHC 6718.

**PHC 6065 Health Statistics (3).** An introduction to the basic principles of inferential statistics as applied to public health. The course includes those components of biometry routinely used in public health. Prerequisite: Undergraduate course in statistics. Open only to graduate students in Public Health. (F,S)

**PHC 6102 Introduction to Public Health Policy and Management (3).** This course introduces students to the underlying principles of public health policy and management. Emphasis is on the philosophy, and extent of public health structure; organization and administration of public health law and regulations will be analyzed.

**PHC 6103 Introduction to Applied Public Health (3).** This course will serve as an introduction to applied public health and provide an overview of core public health disciplines with hands-on exposure to its application in the field.

**PHC 6110 Health Risk Appraisal (3).** Health promotion technique designed for identifying personal health risks and the use of these methodologies for inducing behavioral change. Evaluation of the effectiveness of various health appraisal instruments. Prerequisite: Biostatistics and Epidemiology.

**PHC 6111 Primary Health Care Strategies (3).** Examines the rationale, planning, and implementation of community-oriented primary health care. Emphasizes primary care as an integral part of the health care system and an essential part of public health. Prerequisites: PHC 6500 or permission of the instructor.

**PHC 6150 Public Health Policy Analysis and Formulation (3).** Strategies for formulating public health policy; political processes; resource allocation, organization, and participation. Examination of current policy issues and efforts to effect change. (SS)

**PHC 6160 Public Health Budgeting and Financial Management (3).** This course is designed for public health practitioners. Emphasis will be placed on models necessary to develop operational budgets in the public sector of health care and to anticipate financial anomalies.

**PHC 6190 National Health Database Evaluation: Methods and Applications (3).** This course discusses the principles of survey sampling and their application in health sciences. The focus is on the statistical design and analyses of national/state health databases. Prerequisite: PHC 6055.

**PHC 6251 Disaster and Emergency Epidemiology (3).** Disaster and Emergency Epidemiology studies the public health response to natural disasters, environmental emergencies and perpetuated acts of terrorism.

**PHC 6307 Exposure Assessment in Environmental and Occupational Epidemiology (3).** Surveys available mechanisms utilized by public health and environmental agencies to monitor levels of pollution, environmental quality, and change in environmental conditions which impact human health. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065, PHC 6315. (SS)

**PHC 6310 Environmental and Occupational Toxicology (3).** Theory and practice of occupational and environmental toxicology; health effects of toxins in humans; principles of toxicology; toxicokinetics; and health effects of toxins on organ systems. Prerequisite: PHC 6315.

**PHC 6311 Environmental Health Risk Assessment (3).** This course explores environmental health care management problems associated with risk to the population from exposure to particular agents and conditions. Emphasizes practical problems in risk estimation through the case method approach. Prerequisite: PHC 6315. (S)

**PHC 6312C Health impacts of Air, Water and Land Pollution (3).** The course covers the impact of air, water and land pollution on human health/well-being and on the whole environment plus pollution and control measures of each kind of pollution. Prerequisite: PHC 6315.

**PHC 6315 Introduction to Environmental Health (3).** An overview of public health philosophy and government organization in the provision of official agency, environmental, and preventive medicine services, with particular emphasis on the regulatory and surveillance responsibilities authorized in the public sector. (F,S)

**PHC 6316 Environmental Health Management (3).** The course provides the student with skills in management of the programs dealing with food, water, waste, radiation, workplace, air, energy, human establishments, and humanitarian challenges. Prerequisites: PHC 6315 or permission of the instructor.

**PHC 6355 Occupational Health and Safety (3).** The course covers recognition of occupational hazards, injuries and diseases and the principles of occupational safety including safety regulations and standards and models of accident causation. Prerequisite: PHC 6315.

**PHC 6356 Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene (3).** The course covers recognition, evaluation, and control of chemical biological and physical agents in the workplace; application to exposure, control measures, and standard setting procedures. Prerequisite: PHC 6315.

**PHC 6374 Environmental Disasters and Human Health (3).** This course will provide an overview of environmental disasters and the measures designed to reduce the impact of disasters on Environmental Health. It aims to strengthen the ability of people to withstand the disruption of their accustomed infrastructure and systems for environmental health.

**PHC 6410 Health Behavior and Public Health (3).** The overall goal of this course is to introduce the student to the learning and behavioral science theories that provide the framework for the practice of health promotion and public health. Prerequisites: Public Health major or permission of the instructor. (F,S)

**PHC 6422 Legal and Regulatory Aspects of Environmental Health (3).** The application of law as it relates to the environment and human health. Legal process and rule-making; cost-benefit analysis; judicial review; evidentiary problems; and other elements of environmental law are emphasized. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065 and PHC 6315. (S)

**PHC 6441 Epidemiology of Health Disparity (3).** This course is designed to provide an overview and understanding of Health Disparity, its indicators, measuring methods and models as well as theoretical underpinning for explanation of Health Disparity. Prerequisites: PHC 6000 and PHC 6065.

**PHC 6443 Ethical Issues in Public Health (3).** The role of Bioethics on Public Health Issues. (F,S)

**PHC 6500 Foundations of Public Health Practice (3).** Philosophy, nature, and scope of public health; organization and administration; principles of disease prevention and health promotion; current issues and trends; socioeconomic and political forces. Prerequisites: Public Health major or permission of the instructor. (F,S,SS)

**PHC 6502 Health Promotion in the Workplace (3).** Emphasis is on program design, management, and evaluation of health promotion in industry. Current issues on health assessment, fitness, and emotional stress in the workplace will be considered. Prerequisites: Health Promotion Concentration or permission of the instructor. (SS)

**PHC 6504 Introduction to Public Health Education and Wellness (3).** Primarily intended to introduce graduate students to concepts and principles underlying the use of Public Health and Behavioral Strategies to positively influence behavioral patterns. Prerequisites: Public Health major or permission of the instructor. (S)

**PHC 6520 Public Health Aspects of Foodborne Diseases (3).** Examines the scope of the foodborne disease problem; factors that contribute to outbreak of foodborne disease; strategies for the prevention and control of these diseases are explored. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065, and PHC 6315. (SS)

**PHC 6530 Principles of Maternal and Child Health (3).** Covers the scope of the field of maternal and child health with emphasis on the needs of infants, children, youth, women and families in the reproductive cycle and programs designed to meet these needs. Prerequisites: Public Health major or permission of the instructor. (S)

**PHC 6536 Health Demography (3).** The study of basic population structure, composition, trends and relationship to health status. Implications of demographic trends, policies for public health; population growth, immigration, infant mortality. Prerequisites: PHC 6065 or permission of the instructor. (SS)

**PHC 6538 Genetic Issues in Public Health (3).** Genetic issues and topics that impact on Public Health will be covered such as HW gene frequencies and HUGO. A public health perspective with a field of study.

**PHC 6580 Contemporary Issues in Health Promotion (3).** Current problems and findings in health promotion content areas such as smoking, alcohol, and drug misuse, family health, safety, physical fitness, communicable and chronic diseases will be discussed. Prerequisites: PHC 6000 and PHC 6065. (SS)

**PHC 6585 Health Promotion in Clinical Settings (3).** Analysis of the role, methods, and techniques of health promotion and patient education pertaining to hospitals, clinics and other ambulatory health services. Prerequisites: PHC 6000 and PHC 6065. (S)

**PHC 6589 Health Promotion in Institutional Settings (3).** This course will investigate the role, methods and techniques used to promote health in diverse settings such as clinic and community agencies, schools, universities and workplaces. (SS)

**PHC 6600 Health Promotion Communication Theory and Design (3).** Theory, design, and implementation of health education communication utilized in reaching the public. Emphasis on the critical analysis of the communication processes; group techniques and media methods; and the consultation process. Prerequisites: Health Promotion Concentration or by permission of the instructor. (F)

**PHC 6601 Emerging Issues in Public Health (3).** Investigation of emerging public health issues, such as public health informatics, genomics, global health, policy and law, and public health ethics, within the framework of ecological model.

**PHC 6602 Theoretical Foundations of Health Promotion (3).** The course will emphasize the use of psychosocial theories in understanding and addressing public health problems. Prerequisites: PHC 6410, PHC 6065.

**PHC 6700 Methods and Analysis in Epidemiological Research (3).** This course provides understanding of principles, methods and analytical techniques applied in epidemiologic research using multimedia and interpersonal approaches of instructions to motivate and explain with real life examples. Prerequisite: PHC 6000.

**PHC 6703 Epidemiology Methods: Experimental Design (3).** Introduction to clinical and community trial design and conduct, randomization, blinding, recruitment, data collection, assessment of adverse effects, compliance with therapy, and analyses. Prerequisites: PHC 6013, PHC 6xxx – Public Health Statistics II.

**PHC 6704 Research Methods in Health and Social Services (3).** Study of scientific research, inductive and deductive thinking, research methods and design as applied to healthcare, social services and government agencies. Prerequisite: Undergraduate Statistics.

**PHC 6706 Research Methods in Public Health (3).** Study of scientific research, inductive and deductive thinking, research methods and design as applied to the field of Public Health. Prerequisite: Undergraduate statistics course.

**PHC 6709 Quantitative Research Analysis in Health Urban Affairs I (3).** Application of quantitative techniques used for research analysis in health and urban affairs research and practice settings. Prerequisites: STA 3145 or STA 6166 or equivalent.

**PHC 6710 Qualitative Research Methods in Public Health (3).** Critical issues, theoretical and practical applications for conducting qualitative research explored as they relate to health, social service and public administration environments. Prerequisite: Graduate Research Methods.

**PHC 6715 Survey Research in Public Health (3).** Health survey design, implementation and analysis, and interpretation of data. Emphasis on practical aspects of conducting health surveys. Study of existing health surveys. Prerequisites: PHC 6000 and PHC 6065. (F,S)

**PHC 6718 Quantitative Research Analysis in Health and Urban Affairs II (3).** Application of quantitative techniques used for research analysis in health and urban affairs practice settings with focus on multivariate analysis. Prerequisites: STA 6167 or equivalent; PHC 6709.

**PHC 6750 Program Development and Evaluation in Health Promotion (3).** Principles and procedures in health promotion program development and evaluation. Emphasis on needs assessment, planning models, evaluation designs, data collection, analysis and reporting. Prerequisites: PHC 6000 and PHC 6065. (SS)

**PHC 6751 Community Organization for Health Promotion (3).** Emphasis is on the diagnosis of community health problems and various organizational strategies utilized for effective solution. Review and analysis of community organization process; resources; and the role of health promotion specialist. Prerequisites: Health Promotion Concentration or permission of the instructor. (F)

**PHC 6762 International Public Health (3).** This course describes international differences in the distribution and determinants of disease and health, and examines interventions aimed at improving health status. (F)

**PHC 6763 Global Perspectives of Environmental Health in Caribbean and Latin America (3).** The course describes the relationship between human health and the environment in developing countries of the Caribbean and Latin America. Prerequisite: PHC 6315.

**PHC 6900 Environmental Public Health Genomics and Molecular Toxicology Journal Club (1).** Students will learn to read, evaluate, present and discuss papers. Papers will be presented on a diverse set of topics related to genetics of environmental human diseases and molecular toxicology.

**PHC 6901 Readings in Public Health (1-3).** Individual advanced study in a comprehensive overview of Public Health or in-depth advanced study of a speciality. Prerequisites: Permission of instructor and Advanced standing in the graduate program.

**PHC 6907 Independent Study: Public Health (1-3).** Allows student investigations of special topics and issues utilizing literature searches, analysis, or active performance in public health settings under the direction of faculty supervision. Prerequisite: Permission of the faculty advisor.

**PHC 6914L Current Topics in Environmental and Occupational Health Science Research Lab (3).** To conduct laboratory based analytical research and collect data.

**PHC 6917 Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Pre Doctoral Research (3).** This course is designed to provide the Pre-Doctoral student with experience in the conduct of a research project with guidance from appropriate environmental and occupational health faculty.

**PHC 6920 Special Topics in Environmental and Occupational Health (3).** This course is designed to impart in depth knowledge of emerging issues in the area of environmental and occupational health.

**PHC 6921 Environmental Health and Toxicology Seminar (3).** Designed to develop critical and analytical thinking skills in the environmental and occupational health research.

**PHC 6934 Scientific Writing and Oral Presentations in Epidemiology and Biostatistics (3).** Covers the planning and execution of written and oral presentations in epidemiology/biostatistics by critically evaluating published articles and preparing a manuscript and an oral presentation. Prerequisites: PHC 6000 and PHC 6065.

**PHC 6935 Special Topics in Health Promotion (3).** A detailed exploration into particular research methodologies, approaches and techniques relevant to Health Promotion. Topic will vary depending upon the instructor. Course may be repeated. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**PHC 6939 Special Topics in Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology (3).** The purpose of this course is designed to impart in-depth knowledge of a particular cardiovascular disease or risk factor that is affecting populations nationally and or internationally. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065, or permission of the instructor.

**PHC 6945 Supervised Field Experience in Public Health (1-6).** Preceptor guided experience in a public health organization. Experience will include orientation; observation; and participation in the aspects of the agency's program. Prerequisite: Permission of the faculty advisor. (F,S,SS)

**PHC 6977 Master's Research Project (1-6).** This course provides the student with an opportunity to explore in-depth a specific topic or issue of interest in public health.

**PHC 7011 Advanced Current Research in Epidemiology (3).** The purpose of this course is to examine and critically review current areas of research in Epidemiology with focus on observation studies. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6013, PHC 6065 or equivalent.

**PHC 7015 Advanced Research Methods-Experimental Design (3).** A course on methods in experimental epidemiologic studies, including randomization, blinding, assessment of adverse effects, compliance, and intent-to-treat, survival and subgroup analyses. Prerequisites: PHC 6000, PHC 6065, PHC 6013.

**PHC 7017 Advanced Epidemiology for Health Disparity (3).** Provides advanced understanding of health disparity - disparity indicators, complex measurement methods and applications, theoretical frameworks, and analysis and evaluation of programs/policy. Prerequisites: PHC 6055 and PHC 6065 or equivalent.

**PHC 7018C Advanced Environmental Health (3).** The objective of this course is to teach students advanced toxicology principles such as toxicokinetics, polymorphisms of metabolizing enzymes, toxicogenomics, and biomarkers of toxic exposure. Prerequisite: PHC 6310.

**PHC 7050 Advanced Biostatistics I (3).** Application of linear statistical model to public health data held in the Public Health Informatics Laboratory. Utilizes various statistical software. Prerequisites: PHC 6065 or permission of the instructor.

**PHC 7051 Advanced Biostatistics II (3).** Design and analysis of experiments for public health data. ANOVA and mixed model analysis, testing assumptions diagnostics, uses the Public Health Informatics Laboratory. Utilizes various statistical software. Prerequisites: PHC 7050 or permission of the instructor.

**PHC 7054 Advanced Biostatistics III (3).** Generalized linear model and estimating equation approaches for non-linear public health data. Held in the Public Health Informatics Laboratory utilizing various statistical software. Prerequisites: PHC 7050, PHC 7051, or permission of the instructor.

**PHC 7162 Grant Writing in Public Health (3).** Course covers proposal writing political/social aspects of "grantmanship" identifying sources of grant funding doing research to support the application, and tailoring the proposal to specific audiences. Prerequisites: PHC 6718, PHC 7705, PHC 7981.

**PHC 7300 Biological Basis of Environmental Public Health (3).** This course will discuss current research and biomedical advances in the field of environmental and occupational health, disease prevention, diagnosis, control, and treatment.

**PHC 7372 Signal Transduction in Environmental Health and Toxicology (3).** Designed to develop critical and analytical thinking about how hazardous agents interfere with normal signaling while others may mimic endogenous stimulants and mediators.

**PHC 7374C Advances in Cellular and Environmental Toxicology (3).** This is a doctoral level advanced course covering the toxicological basis of human disease and the recent progress made in the field. Course provides coverage of environmental agents and experimental approaches. Prerequisite: PHC 6310.

**PHC 7436 Advanced Issues in Economic Evaluation of Health Care Programs (3).** Economic evaluation issues including cost analysis, health outcomes, health state utilities, measurement of population health measures; cost-effectiveness, cost-benefit, and cost-utility analysis. Prerequisites: Biostatistics, Health Economics.

**PHC 7502 Health Promotion in the Workplace (3).** This course emphasizes program design, management, and evaluation of health promotion in corporations. Issues in health assessment, fitness, wellness, and stress will be covered. Prerequisites: PHC 6589, PHC 6410.

**PHC 7583 Policy and Practice in Health Promotion (3).** Intensive exploration of health promotion policies with critical analysis. Preparation to develop effective policies and to assess the appropriate practice of health promotion or different levels.

**PHC 7584 Specialized Issues in Health Promotion I (3).** A seminar on advanced topics in health promotion and disease prevention research in cross-cultural settings in the context of the ecological model. Prerequisite: PHC 6410.

**PHC 7587 Theory Development in Health Promotion (3).** Discussion and critique of the structural components and research processes related to the origination and construction of health promotion theories. Prerequisites: PHC 6410 and PHC 5409.



**PHC 7588 Specialized Issues in Health Promotion II (3).** This course provides an overview of the origins, development, and unfulfilled promises of health promotion for disease prevention. Designed for doctoral students to understand how public health programs have been planned, implemented, evaluated and maintained. Prerequisite: PHC 7584.

**PHC 7702 Advanced Measurement in Public Health (3).** Advanced course in measurement and evaluation in public health. Computer applications for public health practice emphasized. Prerequisites: PHC 6065, PHC 6715, PHC 6750.

**PHC 7705 Methods in Evidence Based Public Health (3).** Review of methods in evidence based public health; study designs addressing patient reported outcome measures; health status measures, area-based health intervention evaluation, quality of life and survival measures in health interventions. Prerequisite: PHC 6065.

**PHC 7711 Methodological Issues in Scientific Inquiry of Public Health Research (3).** Understanding and application of analytical methods in the philosophy of science in order to explore systematically the critical methodological issues underlying public health research. Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.

**PHC 7713 Advanced Environmental and Occupational Epidemiology Research Methods (3).** Students will emerge from the course with an appreciation and knowledge of how to apply epidemiologic principles to the design and analysis of environmental and occupational health case studies. Prerequisites: PHC 6001, PHC 6065, Ph.D. standing or advanced MPH student with departmental approval.

**PHC 7716 Advanced Research Methods: Survey Research (3).** Conceptualization of survey research including how to conduct a survey and present results for professional publication. Prerequisites: PHC 6704, PHC 6065.

**PHC 7719 Quantitative Multivariate Analysis in Health Sciences Research (3).** Application of quantitative techniques used for research analysis in health and urban affairs practice settings with focus on statistical modeling. Prerequisites: STA 6167 or equivalent.

**PHC 7933 Seminar in Biostatistics (1-6).** Course emphasis on the biostatistical methods used in research. Various biostatisticians will present their current research and lead class discussions on the development of their research agenda. Prerequisites: PHC 7050, PHC 7051, PHC 7054.

**PHC 7980 Dissertation (1-12).** Research for doctoral dissertation under the supervision of a major professor and a doctoral committee. Prerequisites: Permission of instructor and doctoral candidacy.

**PHC 7981 Research Concepts and Proposal Development (3).** The purpose of this course is to present the basic general components of research, to describe methods, and to present perspectives specifically and directly applicable to the field of public health. Prerequisites: PHC 6718 or equivalent.

**PHC 7982 Public Health Pre Dissertation Research (1-6).** This course is designed to provide Doctoral students with the guidance necessary to prepare for comprehensive

examination and dissertation proposal under the guidance of the dissertation chair. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ph.D. program, instructor consent, completion of coursework.

**SOW 5105 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I (3).** Study of individuals and families with emphasis on the analysis of biopsychosocio-cultural factors (including racial/ethnic and gender variables) affecting human development and social functioning through the life cycle. Prerequisites: 12 semester hours of college-level courses in the social and behavioral sciences and one college-level course in biology (including coverage of human biology).

**SOW 5109\* Crises in the Lives of Women (3).** An overview of special experiences in the lives of women which might lead women to seek professional assistance. Topics include pregnancy, domestic violence, rape, abortion, childbirth, sex discrimination, AIDS, climacteric, widowhood. Prerequisites: Senior or graduate standing.

**SOW 5155\* Social Work Practice with Sexual Problems (3).** Skills applicable to sex-related concerns encountered in social work practice. Presents theories of the etiology of common sexual problems and explores treatment intervention modalities. Prerequisites: Graduate or senior level practice course or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5235 Social Welfare Policy and Services I (3).** This course analyzes major social welfare policies and programs in the United States, their emergence, development, contemporary operations and how they shaped the development of the Social Work profession.

**SOW 5240 Advanced Interventions in Child Maltreatment (3).** This course will examine best practices in the health, mental health, and socio-emotional development of children and adolescents within the child welfare system.

**SOW 5241 Advanced Child Welfare Policy and Practice (3).** This course will explore professional practice and policy issues in child welfare, with emphasis on intervention in child maltreatment. Prerequisite: SOW 5105 or advanced standing or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5324 Theory and Practice With Groups (3).** Study and application of biopsychosocial, cultural dimensions, theories, techniques and intervention strategies for social work group practice. Prerequisite: SOW 5342. Corequisite: SOW 5532.

**SOW 5342 Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (3).** This course is an overview of social work practice with individuals and families placing emphasis on professional values, interviewing skills, assessment, intervention, and outcome evaluation, all within a cross-cultural perspective. Pre/Corequisite: SOW 5105.

**SOW 5344 Theory and Practice with Communities and Organizations (3).** Study and application of biopsychosocio-cultural dimensions, theories, techniques and intervention strategies for communities and organizations. Focuses on empowerment of populations at risk and promotion of social and economic justice.

**SOW 5354\* Crisis Intervention in Social Work Practice (3).** This course examines the etiology, structure, theory, and application of crisis intervention in social work

practice. It provides assessment criteria for assignment to this form of treatment and techniques for intervention. Prerequisites: Senior or graduate level practice course, or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5365\* Behavior Therapy in Social Work Practice (3).** Overview of the principles, clinical foundations, and applications of socio-behavioral approaches relevant to social work practice. Emphasis on behavioral change methods and problem solving in assessment, intervention, and evaluation.

**SOW 5404 Social Work Research Methodology (3).** This course provides information on the principles and methods of basic social work research. The ethical conduct of research is taught within the context of social work purposes and values. The formulation of problems for study that address the social needs of diverse population groups is emphasized. Prerequisite: Statistics.

**SOW 5455\* Writing and Managing Grants for Social Service Programs (3).** Prepare students to write, develop and manage grants for social services programs. Develop knowledge of grant sources, the grant making, writing and management of grant funded social welfare services. Prerequisite: SOW 5344.

**SOW 5532 Clinical Practicum I (6).** The first masters-level field practicum and seminars that provide students with the opportunity to apply and integrate generalist social work knowledge and skills. Prerequisites: SOW 5629, 5105, 5235, 5342, 5344, and SOW 5404. Corequisites: SOW 5629, 5324.

**SOW 5541\* Advanced Standing Seminar (2).** This course examines the integration of academic knowledge and social work skills that develop the profession's critical thinking foundation. Prerequisites or Corequisites: SOW 6125, SOW 5324.

**SOW 5605\* Medical Social Work (3).** Principles of medical social work practice in hospitals and communities. Focuses on the social worker as part of the health care team, with basic knowledge of medical problems of patients and their families. Prerequisites: Graduate or senior standing.

**SOW 5607\* Social Work Practice and Psychopharmacology (3).** Social work practice, research, and policy in relation to psychotropic drugs including effectiveness and limitations of main drug classes and ethical, professional, legal, scientific and cultural issues. Prerequisites: Graduate or senior standing.

**SOW 5614\* Social Work Practice with Persons Affected by Domestic Violence (3).** Course prepares students to appropriately identify, assess, and intervene with persons affected by domestic violence utilizing assessment and intervention strategies in practice. Prerequisites: Graduate or Senior standing with the permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5621\* Social Work with Refugees, Immigrants, and Migrants (3).** Provides skills and knowledge responsive to the needs of immigrants and refugees and addresses influences of cultural, ethnic, gender, age, and class differences in acculturation and service delivery. Prerequisites: Graduate or Senior standing with the permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5624\* Feminist Therapy in Social Work (3).** Reviews basic principles of feminist therapy and focuses on the application of feminist therapy in clinical social work practice. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5629 Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations (3).** Prepares students for responsive practice with diverse populations, with emphasis on South Florida. Includes knowledge and skills in interviewing, assessment interventions, termination, and follow-up. Prerequisite: SOW 5342.

**SOW 5635\* School Social Work Practice (3).** Designed to assist students in developing knowledge and skills necessary for effective social work practice in school settings. Promotes understanding of social work practice to improve the functioning of children. Prerequisites: Graduate or permission of instructor.

**SOW 5640\* Foundations in Gerontology for Health Professions (3).** Implications for health professions of the biological, cross-cultural, physiological, psychological, social, and societal contexts of aging.

**SOW 5641\* Understanding the Process of Aging (3).** Study of the physical, psychosocial, and cultural factors affecting human development in late life, from a social work perspective. Prerequisites: Graduate or senior standing and permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5672\* Animal Assisted Treatment for Social Work (3).** An introduction to the human animal bond and animal assisted treatment. There will be illustrations of programs using small animals, horses, and dolphins. Prerequisites: Graduate or permission of instructor.

**SOW 5710\* Current Issues in Addiction Practices (3).** An overview of chemical dependency in the social service delivery system including policy and program approaches, client assessment, treatment techniques and prevention issues. Prerequisites: Graduate or Senior standing.

**SOW 5805C\* Counseling the Elderly (3).** Applied gerontological knowledge to counseling skills required for independent as well as frail elderly clients. Course focuses on long and short term interventions in a range of practice settings. Prerequisites: Graduate or senior standing.

**SOW 5905\* Individual Study (1-3).** Individually selected program of advanced supervised study related to specific issues in social work and social welfare. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**SOW 5932\* Seminar in Social Work (3).** An exploration of various critical issues of concern to the social work profession. Prerequisites: Graduate or senior standing.

**SOW 6114C\* Assessment and Treatment of Addiction and Related Problems (3).** Course provides increased understanding of treatment for addictive disorders including assessment, therapeutic techniques and supportive aftercare as well as community consultation and referral skills. Prerequisite: SOW 5710.

**SOW 6125 Human Behavior and the Social Environment II-Psychopathology (3).** Study of the psychosocial aspects of client problems, including psychopathology, frequently encountered by social workers in direct practice with attention to differential

treatment issues. Prerequisites: SOW 5105 and 2nd year or advanced standing status.

**SOW 6236 Social Welfare Policy and Services II (3).**

This course offers students the opportunity to gain in-depth knowledge about social welfare policy-making processes and their impact on the social service delivery system. Prerequisite: SOW 5235 and 2nd year or advanced standing.

**SOW 6243\* Child and Family Social Policy Issues (3).**

A comprehensive overview of the range of children and family policies, programs and issues in the U.S.A. in the context of comparing residual and institutional approaches to social service delivery, and policy implications for use of each approach.

**SOW 6245\* Social Welfare Policies and Services to the Elderly (3).**

The content of the course will center around the federal/state policies affecting the quality of life of the older person. Among the areas to be considered are an overview of the situation of the aged, specific public and private social welfare policies, including the origin of policy making, and problems involved in the process of implementation of social welfare policies for the elderly.

**SOW 6281\* Legal Aspects of Social Work Practice (3).**

Introduction to legal aspects of social work practice including client and agency rights, malpractice issues, legal research, and practice interaction with legal counsel, legal services, and the courts.

**SOW 6351 Clinical Intervention in Couple and Family Social Work Practice (3).**

This course will provide students with an understanding and application of the major models of social work intervention in working with marriages and families, with critical analysis skills in assessing functioning across the life span and in implementing intervention techniques. The influence of cultural/ethnic differences and how these may affect family relationships and functioning will be assessed. Prerequisite: SOW 6533 and SOW 6425 Assess. And Intervention. Corequisite: SOW 6534.

**SOW 6359\* Social Work Treatment with Families of the Elderly (3).**

Preventive and treatment approaches in social work practice with families of the elderly. Focus on aging family as client-system; knowledge, skills needed for a range of interventions are provided.

**SOW 6372\* Supervision, Consultation and Staff Development (3).**

Key aspects of the social services supervisory situation are explored. This course emphasizes supervisory competence, issues facing supervisor and supervise. Also explores consultation and staff development.

**SOW 6386\* Social Program Planning and Development (3).**

Theory and practice of social program planning and development for organizations and communities. Social services to families, children and elderly, especially service needs for which programs do not exist will receive special emphasis.

**SOW 6387\* Social Services Management Skills (3).**

Learning units in which students practice and demonstrate, through simulation and participation, skills in major aspects of social services management.

**SOW 6425 Clinical Assessment and Intervention Planning (3).**

Critical analysis of assessment models, the

current issues, skills of assessment and intervention planning, including the evidence basis of assessment practice. Prerequisites: SOW 5324 and SOW 5532 or advanced standing. Corequisite: SOW 6533.

**SOW 6435 Evaluating Empirically Based Social Work Practice (3).**

This course focuses on research designs and measurements for evaluating social work practice building on empirically-based approaches. Prerequisites: Admission to concentration or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 6436\* Empirically-Based Practice in Social Work (3).**

Advanced utilization of intervention effectiveness research results and techniques in social work practice with individuals, families and groups. Prerequisites: SOW 6435 and an advanced practice course.

**SOW 6533 Clinical Practicum II (3).**

The first part of two masters-level advanced field practicum courses and integrative seminars that provide students with the opportunity to apply and integrate advanced clinical knowledge and skills. This course is only offered in the Fall semester. Prerequisites: A BSW/BSSW degree and admission to the Advanced Standing Program or satisfactory completion of Clinical Practicum I, SOW 5532, SOW 5342, and SOW 5629. Corequisite: SOW 6351. Pre- or-Corequisites: SOW 6125, SOW 6435, and SOW 6236.

**SOW 6534 Clinical Practicum III (6).**

The second part of two masters-level advanced field practicum courses and integrative seminars that provide students with the opportunity to apply and integrate advanced clinical knowledge and skills. Prerequisites: SOW 6533, SOW 6351, SOW 6435, SOW 6125, and SOW 6236. Corequisite: SOW 6655.

**SOW 6611\* Advanced Practice with Family Systems (3).**

Advanced clinical skills in working with families and couples. Focus will be given to non-traditional change strategies such as family sculpting, family reenactment, family choreography and dramatization. Extensive use of videotaped case simulations, co-therapy, live supervision and peer evaluation models. Prerequisites: SOW 6351 or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 6646\* Social Work Practice with the Elderly (3).**

The knowledge and skills necessary for advanced social work practice in social agencies which deal with problems and issues of the aging population in contemporary society.

**SOW 6647\* Advocacy in Social Work Practice (3).**

This course covers skills and knowledge necessary for the practice of advocacy on behalf of individuals and groups, including political, legislative, and organizational perspectives.

**SOW 6649\* Social Work Practice in Long Term Care and the Elderly (3).**

This course focuses on direct practice with the frail elderly and their families within the rapidly changing system of community and institutional long term care.

**SOW 6655\* Clinical Intervention in Child and Adolescent Social Work Practice (3).**

This course will provide students with the opportunity to select, apply and evaluate appropriate intervention strategies in working with children and adolescents. Specific attention to socio-cultural, gender and racial differences in understanding development issues and in critically assessing the

applicability of practice theories. Prerequisites: SOW 5324, SOW 5532, or advanced standing program.

**SOW 6656\* Decision-Making in Child Placement (3).** This course will stress decision-making and interventions when substitute care is considered or carried out. Termination of parental rights and the choice and timing of placements of children will be considered.

**SOW 6711\* Prevention of Addiction and Related Problems (3).** Course provides increased understanding of substance abuse prevention including history and effective approaches as well as skills to reinforce healthy lifestyles and identify early potential problems. Prerequisite: SOW 5710.

**SOW 6914\* Independent Research (1-6).** Individually selected program of supervised data collection and analysis on specific topics in social work and social welfare. Prerequisites: SOW 5404 and permission of the instructor.

**SOW 7216 Social Welfare Policy (3).** Using a systemic approach and focusing on high-risk populations, this course analyzes the social welfare policy-making process and its impact on public and private social service delivery systems. Prerequisites: Admission to Ph.D. program or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 7237 Micro-Practice Theory and Research (3).** Analysis of research priorities in the development of effective interventions in the social welfare field. Prerequisites: Admission to Ph.D. program or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 7238 Macro-Practice Theory and Research (3).** This course focuses on intervention theory research and methods at the community, organizational and societal level. Prerequisites: Admission to Ph.D. program or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 7406 History and Systems of Social Work Research (3).** Development, dissemination, and utilization of Social Work Research; the social work research tradition; types of research questions in Social Welfare; past and current contextual influences on social work research.

**SOW 7492 Theory Development and Research Methods in Social Welfare (3).** The logic of social research, role of theory in social welfare research, range and limitations of research methods, ethical issues. Students begin work on their doctoral research proposal. Prerequisites or Corequisites: STA 6166 or equivalent. Prerequisites: Admission to Ph.D. program or permission of the instructor.

**SOW 7493 Research Methods in Social Welfare II (3).** This second course in a two-semester sequence focuses primarily on design, measurement, and analysis issues in ethno-graphic field studies, surveys and group experiments for the evaluation of intervention technology in social welfare. Prerequisites: SOW 7492 and STA 6166, or equivalent.

**SOW 7916 Supervised Research (3).** Directed experience in the conduct of research in social welfare and social work under the guidance of a faculty member. Must be taken twice for a total of six credits. Prerequisite: Completion of first year.

**SOW 7932 Interdisciplinary Seminar on Social Welfare Within an Urban Milieu (3).** Academics from social work and allied disciplines and professions will discuss their theoretical interests and research activities. Prerequisite: Successful completion of first year of Doctoral program.

**SOW 7936 Dissertation Seminar in Social Welfare (3).** This course focuses on helping students with the development of the dissertation prospectus. Emphasis is placed on development of an acceptable research protocol in the students' specialization area. Prerequisites: SOW 7215, SOW 7237, SOW 7238, SOW 7492, and SOW 7493.

**SOW 7980 Ph.D. Dissertation (1-12).** This course provides dissertation guidance to doctoral candidates in the Ph.D. program in Social Welfare. Prerequisites: Permission of Major Professor and Doctoral Candidacy.

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