Indiana State University

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

FIELD NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2020

Welcome to the Spring 2020 semester! The ISU Department of Social Work, Field Department, is excited to send this edition of the Field Newsletter to keep you informed about 'everything Field'. Please contact the Field Director at JoEllen.Henson@indstate.edu if you or your agency has an update that you would like to have included in a future newsletter. Thank you for your continued support of our students and your ongoing dedication to our program!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please mark your calendars:

- **January 14, 2020** Spring Semester Begins
- **January 31, 2020** ISU and HCI Collaborative Conference "Trauma Related Professional Education" at the Landsbaum Center
- **February 20, 2020** LEAD (Legislative Education and Advocacy) Day, Indianapolis, Indiana State House
- **February 26, 2020** College of Health and Human Services Career Fair
    - (1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.)
- **March 13, 2020** ISU and HCI Collaborative Conference "Ethics with a Panel Discussion" presented by Dr. Christopher Christmas and Beryl Cohen at the Landsbaum Center
- **March 13, 2020** Field Meeting/Luncheon (12:00 p.m.-1:00p.m.), Landsbaum Center
- **May 9, 2020** Commencement
- Please refer to the attached "Spring 2020 ISU Department of Social Work Field Calendar" for other important Field-related dates

MSW ASSIGNMENT LIST

Please note the changes that have been made to the MSW Assignment List for use in student Learning Plans. The revised assignment list is located on the Department of Social Work website.

FIELD MANUAL

Please take a moment to review the newly revised Department of Social Work Field Manual soon. The manual will be located on the Department website.

FIELD INSTRUCTORS

If you have a BSW or an MSW and are interested in providing supervision for a Social Work Intern—we need you! Please contact JoEllen Henson, Field Director, at 812-237-4536 or JoEllen.Henson@indstate.edu for more information!

MEET OUR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT –Alivia Vaillancourt

I live 40 minutes south of Terre Haute. I have lived around this area my entire life. I received my General Studies Associates Degree from Ivy Tech Community College, and I completed my Bachelors in English at Indiana State University Fall 2017. I have been working for the Department of Social Work at Indiana State University for just over a year now. I am the Administrative Assistant for the Department. I am an avid reader in my spare time, nothing is better than a hot cup of tea and a good book. I have a wonderful 1 year old nephew who is loved and spoiled by everyone. I am very family orientated if I am not at work I am with my family and friends. I am currently serving on the CHHS Staff Council as their secretary. While I do not have any children, I do have a 3 year old rescue dog named Loki. Loki is a Rat Terrier, Jack Russel, Beagle mix.

MEET OUR GA's

Tina Simons is a first year Graduate Assistant in the Department of Social Work. As a Graduate Assistant, she assists with simulation events, MSW program recruitment, and administrative tasks around the Department. She received her BA in Psychology from Arizona State University and has spent the last ten years working in treatment settings for addiction and autism. She is interested in studying the social work perspective on family systems, addiction, and grief.

Tina recently moved to Terre Haute from Los Angeles to pursue her MSW at ISU. She says her favorite part of living in Terre Haute is spending time with her family, nesting in her new home, and experiencing the seasons. When school is not in session, you will find her traveling, reading, and visiting as many National Parks as possible.

Jennifer Lewis: While attending Indiana State University in the Master of Social Work Program I have had the wonderful opportunity to work as a Graduate Assistant for our Field Director, JoEllen Henson. While working for Ms. Henson I have communicated with many of the agencies in our community regarding our students. I have also had the awesome opportunity to work with the undergraduate students as they prepare for their field practicums. I have assisted

with field orientation, taught several classes, and developed and implemented monthly professional development seminars.

In addition to my duties as a Graduate Assistant, I am in my clinical year in the program and completing my field practicum at Gibault Children's Services. I am also the Treasurer/Secretary for Phi Alpha Honor Society and a member of the Masters of Social Work Student Association. For me, the best part about being so involved in the Social Work program is the friendships and the interactions that I have with faculty, students, and professionals along the way.

SPRING 2020 ISU Department of Social Work Field Calendar

Tuesday, January 14, 2020	Semester Begins: Students may begin placements after in-class orientation
Friday, January 31, 2020	Conference on "Trauma Related Professional Education", Landsbaum Center
Tuesday, February 11, 2020	January Timesheets Due
Thursday, February 20, 2020	LEAD Day, Indianapolis, IN.
Wednesday, February 26, 2020	Health and Human Services Career Fair (ISU) 1:00 p.m.-3:00p.m.
Tuesday, March 10, 2020	February Timesheets Due
Tuesday, March 10, 2020	Midterm Evaluations Due (Includes a review of Learning Plan completion status)
Friday, March 13, 2020	Conference on "Ethics" with a panel discussion, Landsbaum Center; Field Instructors Luncheon/Meeting
March 23-March 27, 2020	ISU Spring Break
Tuesday, April 7, 2020	March Timesheets Due
Friday, May 1, 2020	Last Possible Day of Field Placement
Tuesday, May 5, 2020	April Timesheets, Completed Learning Plans, & Final Evaluations Due
May 4-May 8, 2020	Finals Week
Saturday, May 9, 2020	Commencement

Please feel free to view the ISU Calendar as well as the Department of Social Work Events at for additional campus events and information.

For Questions, concerns, or feedback, please contact:

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