Welcome, From the Coordinator of the Field Education Program

The field program has been named the signature pedagogy of social work education. The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) recognizes the field internship as one of the most significant parts of the social work education.

Florida Atlantic University, Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work has a strong relationship with community agencies to provide internship opportunities for our students. We consider the partnership between the community agency and the school to be very significant to the students learning experience and also to the agency’s involvement in research and growth opportunities. We make every attempt to provide our students with the right field experience where they will be able to integrate social work theory into practice. Students are encouraged to engage with colleagues and community agencies while developing their professional identity. We also make attempts to involve the field supervisor in university events and provide opportunities for professional development.

The field experience takes place in a variety of agencies across South Florida from Vero Beach to Miami. We are affiliated with over 200 agencies ranging from community organizations, mental health agencies, drug and alcohol treatment centers, government, corrections, child welfare agencies, hospitals, and many more. Field hours donated to the community for the academic year 2016-2017 were 164,800 with an estimated economic impact of $3,772,000.

Field education is an experience that will change the lives of students and field instructors, leaving a lasting impression.

We hope that your experience with the School of Social Work Field Program will be rewarding.

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