School of Social Work
University of Pittsburgh

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The Children, Youth and Families Certificate program is designed to prepare graduates of the MSW program to provide services to at-risk children and families through a wide range of public and private agencies. Students in the MSW program may take required and elective courses leading to the Certificate in Children, Youth and Families within the normal MSW requirements and need not exceed the length of the degree program.

REQUIRED COURSES (6 credits):

   SWWEL 2059  - Child and Family Policy (second level policy)
   SWBEH 2062  - Children and Families at Risk (second level human behavior)

ELECTIVE COURSES (6 credits):

At least two elective courses taken from the following current offerings or approved children, youth and family-focused courses that become available in the future. Courses outside the School of Social Work are permitted within the limits of School policy and with the prior approval of the student's advisor.

   SWINT 2009   - Family Group Decision Making
   SWINT 2011   - Social Work with Families
   SWINT 2012   - Family-Based Interventions
   SWINT 2035   - Intimate Partner Violence
   SWINT 2042   - Social Work with Drug and Alcohol Abuse
   SWINT 2047   - Child Permanency
   SWINT 2049   - Direct Practice with Children & Adolescents
   SWINT 2063   - Child Maltreatment
   SWINT 2096   - Clinical Social Work with African-American Families

REQUIRED FIELD WORK (minimum of 12 credits):

Concentration field placement (advanced standing or second year) in a children, youth and family setting (program, unit or agency) working with at risk children and their families. This may be within a public agency or a private provider agency.

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