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 in the Direct Practice specialization of the MSW program to provide services and interventions to children, youth, young adults, and families through a wide range of public and private settings. MSW students complete required and elective courses along with specialized field work leading to the University-recognized Certificate in Children, Youth and Families.

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 selected from the following current offerings or approved children, youth and family-focused courses that become available in the future.

SWINT 2011 - Social Work Practice with Families
SWINT 2035 - Intimate Partner Violence
SWINT 2042 - Social Work with Substance Use and Other Addictive Disorders
SWINT 2049 - Direct Practice with Children & Adolescents
SWINT 2063 - Child Maltreatment
SWINT 2072 - Social Work and Traumatic Stress
SWINT 2096 - Clinical Social Work with African-American Families

REQUIRED FIELD WORK (minimum of 12 credits):

Specialization field placement (advanced standing or second year) in a community-based setting (program, unit or agency) providing direct services and interventions to children, youth, young adults, and families. This may be within a public agency, in school-based settings, through the court system, within a private provider organization, or through prevention and early intervention programs.

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