It is the purpose of the field education program to provide experiential educational opportunities directed toward student development of professional identity, self-understanding, and competent practice. Classroom learning and theoretical content are integrated through a focus on generalist practice in the bachelor’s and 1st year master’s program, and a specialized practice in the second year.

**Course of Study**

**BASW Program**
- Complete two semesters of field education (5 credits each) for a total of 480 hours.
- Participate in field 16 hours per week for fifteen weeks, each semester.
- Must receive one hour per week of educationally focused supervision by a qualified field instructor.
- Participate in an integrative field seminar.

**MSW Program**
- Students in the 57 credit MSW Program complete 960 hours over 4 semesters.
- Students in the 38-credit advanced standing program complete 600 hours over 2.5 semesters (July-April).
- Participate in field 16 hours per week for fifteen weeks, each semester.
- Must receive one hour per week of educationally focused supervision by a qualified field instructor.
- Participate in an integrative field seminar.

**How do field coordinators determine where students are matched?**

Matches are determined by the field coordinator for each program based on location, agency availability and student requests/learning needs, as outlined in the field application.

**Field Instructor Qualifications**
- For undergraduate students, the instructor must possess a baccalaureate degree or extensive social services practice experience.
- For graduate students, instructors must possess a master of social work degree and have two years post-masters experience (LMSW preferred but not required).