

Northern Arizona University
Social Work Program

BSW Student Evaluation of Field Placement

The purpose of this evaluation is for continued development of quality field placements. The contents of this form are to be used by the Coordinator of Field Education as a guide for enhancing the field education program. Each student is asked to complete this evaluation and return it directly to the Field Education Coordinator, NAU Social Work Program, SBS 330. Only cumulative information will be shared with field agencies and instructors.

Field Instructor: _____

Field Agency: _____

I. Please circle the number using the following scale which best **describes your experience** with your **field instructor**:

- 5 = Consistently
- 4 = Frequently
- 3 = Sometimes
- 2 = Seldom
- 1 = Rarely

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| 1. Helped me to feel comfortable and welcome in the agency and the community. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2. Encouraged identification with professional values and encouraged professional behaviors consistent with those values. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 3. Identified, communicated and maintained the expectations of this placement. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 4. Encouraged and engaged in mutual assessment of my learning needs and progress on an on-going basis. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 5. Encouraged me to critically assess and evaluate my practice performance. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6. Provided me with feedback on my performance. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 7. Assisted me in my discovery and exploration of self as a professional. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 8. Meet with me in conference as often as needed. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

Comments:

II. Please indicate the **teaching methods** utilized by your **field instructor**.
(Check all that apply)

- Observed my interview(s) and session(s) with client systems
- Required "process recording(s)" and discussed them in supervisory conferences
- Demonstrated interviewing by having me observe her / him in client system interaction(s)
- Arranged for me to observe other staff in interaction with client systems
- Role-played with me to demonstrate skills and processes
- Questioned me to draw out my knowledge
- Asked me to design a workshop or other project
- Asked me to present information about the agency to other community persons and / or professionals
- Identified or provided practice / assignment related readings
- Shared examples from her / his own practice and experience
- Facilitated my networking within the agency and community
- Facilitated exploration of my awareness of self as a social worker and my feelings related to my assignments and the client systems with whom I worked
- other: please describe:

Comments:

III. Please describe your general impressions of your **field instructor's teaching style** using the words and phrases below. Circle the dot that most closely represents your experience. For example, if you think your field instructor has been "boring," circle the dot right next to the word "boring." If you think your field instructor has been "stimulating," circle the dot right next to the word "stimulating." If you think your field instructor has been somewhere in between, circle the dot where you think it belongs. Please circle one dot on every line.

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| Boring | . | . | . | . | . | Stimulating |
| Approachable | . | . | . | . | . | Inaccessible |
| Assertive | . | . | . | . | . | Nonassertive |

Traditional	.	.	.	.	.	Innovative
Focused	.	.	.	.	.	Unclear
Concrete	.	.	.	.	.	Non-directive
Sense of humor	.	.	.	.	.	Humorless
Clear expectations	.	.	.	.	.	Unclear expectations

Comments:

IV. Please circle the number using the following scale which best describes your evaluation of your **field placement agency and assignments**:

- 5 = Consistently
- 4 = Frequently
- 3 = Sometimes
- 2 = Seldom
- 1 = Rarely

1. The agency's attitude toward students is positive and supportive. 1 2 3 4 5
2. The agency is open to suggestions and contributions by students. 1 2 3 4 5
3. The agency is knowledgeable and supportive of the educational goals and objectives of NAU's Social Work Field Education Program. 1 2 3 4 5
4. The learning environment in this field agency can best be described as stimulating and challenging. 1 2 3 4 5
5. My field assignments were relevant to my learning needs and goals. 1 2 3 4 5
6. My field assignments exposed me to working with diverse populations:
 - racial and ethnic diversity 1 2 3 4 5
 - women 1 2 3 4 5
 - elderly 1 2 3 4 5
 - physically/mentally challenged 1 2 3 4 5
 - life style diversity 1 2 3 4 5
 - sexual orientation diversity 1 2 3 4 5
 - class diversity 1 2 3 4 5
 - other: please specify _____ 1 2 3 4 5

7. My field assignments covered a variety of tasks and provided me with experience in practice with:

individuals	1	2	3	4	5
families	1	2	3	4	5
groups	1	2	3	4	5
agencies	1	2	3	4	5
communities	1	2	3	4	5
other: please specify	1	2	3	4	5

8. My field assignments were relevant to meeting the educational goals and objectives of NAU's Social Work Field Education Program.

1	2	3	4	5
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Comments:

V. Please read each of the statements below and circle the number that most closely describes your **preference** about some of your experiences in field placement. Circle one number for each statement.

- 1 = **Less often** than happened
- 3 = **About the same amount** that happened
- 5 = **More often** than happened

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| 1. I would have preferred to have been given feedback on what I was doing well in my field work. | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| 2. I would have preferred to have been given directions about what I was to do in my field work. | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| 3. I would have preferred to have been given choice in selection of my field work assignments. | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| 4. I would have preferred to have been given help to focus my learning efforts. | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| 5. I would have preferred to have been given emotional support in my field work. | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| 6. I would have preferred to have been given feedback about what I was not doing very well in my field work. | 1 | 3 | 5 |

Comments:

VI. Please check any of the following statements about your field placement with which you **AGREE**. (Please add comments as needed to any of the statements.)

- _____ I frequently felt overwhelmed and overworked.
- _____ I often had nothing to do.
- _____ I looked forward to going to field placement.
- _____ I think my field instructor was a good teacher.
- _____ I often dreaded going to field placement.
- _____ I learned a lot from my field instructor.
- _____ I felt intimidated by my field instructor.
- _____ I felt other students had a better field experience than I did.
- _____ I felt comfortable asking for what I needed (assignments, instruction, etc.).
- _____ I felt I was a burden to the agency.
- _____ I learned a lot from my clients.
- _____ I hated to leave the agency when placement was over.
- _____ I felt I had a comfortable beginning professional relationship with my field instructor.
- _____ I feel this experience has helped prepare me for beginning generalist social work practice and employment.
- _____ I felt a sense of trust of and emotional safety with my field instructor.
- _____ other: please specify

Comments:

VII. Overall assessment.

1. The major **strengths** of this field placement instructor, assignments, and/or agency are:

2. The things I would **change** about this field placement instructor, assignments and/or agency are:

VIII. My **recommendation** regarding continuing use of this field placement agency and/or instructor:

_____ definitely continue

_____ do not use this placement again

_____ continue using this placement only if the following conditions can be met (please specify):

Student: _____ Date: _____