

LEARNING GOALS AND OUTCOMES FOR SOWK 1101 - Introduction to Social Work

This is the introductory course for social work. It introduces students to the social work profession and various client populations, and is required for entrance into the ISU Social Work Program.

- 1. Learning goal:** To become familiar with social work and the social welfare system.

Learning outcome: Students will demonstrate familiarity with the nature of social work profession and the social welfare system (class participation, test).

- 2. Learning goal:** To learn fundamentals of generalist social work practice.

Learning outcome: Students will describe key features of generalist social work practice (test).

- 3. Learning goal:** To learn to engage, assess, intervene and evaluate individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.

Learning outcome: Students will demonstrate knowledge of the planned change process at all levels of target systems using traditional and strengths-based approaches (class participation, paper, test).

- 4. Learning goal:** Learn ethical values and standards of the social work profession.

Learning outcome: Demonstrate knowledge of social work professional ethics (paper, test).

- 5. Learning goal:** Develop critical thinking skills to inform and communicate professional judgments.

Learning outcome: Students will demonstrate critical thinking skills (class participation).