

COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION - FORM AS 4(M)
ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM
ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Form AS 4(M) A form required for Reaffirmation, Candidacy, and ongoing compliance per AS 4.0.3.

Submitting Form AS 4 for Reaffirmation Self-Study & Candidacy Benchmarks

This form is used to assist the Commission on Accreditation in the evaluation of the program's compliance with the accreditation standard below:

4.0.3: The program uses Form AS 4(B) and/or Form AS 4(M) to report its most recent assessment outcomes for each program option to constituents and the public on its website and routinely up-dates (minimally every 2 years) its findings.

All programs accredited by the Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) Commission on Accreditation (COA) are required to measure and report student learning outcomes. All students are assessed using a minimum of two measures on their mastery of the nine competencies that comprise the Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards (EPAS) and any additional competencies programs may choose to add. These holistic competencies reflect the dimensions (knowledge, values, skills, and cognitive & affective processes) of social work practice that all social workers are expected to master during their professional training.

Programs determine a percentage-based benchmark for each competency and determine an outcome-measure benchmark (minimum score) for each measure. The competency benchmark (which can differ for each competency) represents the minimum percent of students the program expects to have achieved the outcome measure benchmarks in both/all measures for each of the nine competencies. The program then determines the percentage of students that attained each outcome measure (e.g., minimum score or higher), and aggregates the percentages for both/all measures together to obtain the percentage of students demonstrating competence inclusive of two (2) or more measures. The result of aggregating both/all outcome measure percentages provides the percentage of students achieving the competency benchmark. An aggregated percentage at or above the competency benchmark is considered achievement of that competency. If the program has more than one program option, the program must report data for each program option, and also an aggregate of all program options combined to determine an overall percentage of students across all program options achieving the competency benchmark.

Posting Form AS 4 for Ongoing Compliance with AS 4.0.3

Per the requirement of CSWE COA's recognizing body, the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), and accreditation standard 4.0.3, programs must post this form publicly on its website and routinely up-date (minimally every 2 years) its findings. Upon request, programs must provide CSWE with the weblink to the published form on the program's website where it is accessible to the public. Data presented on the form must be collected within 2 years of today's date at all times.

Summary of the Program's Assessment Plan | Generalist Practice

All students are assessed using a minimum of two measures on their mastery of the nine competencies that comprise the Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards of the Council on Social Work Education and any additional competencies programs may choose to add. Summarize the program's competency-based assessment plan. Programs may add/delete rows to accurately reflect the number measures included in the data presented.

Assessment Measure #1: Field Learning Contract	
Competency(ies) assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Skills, Values, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Generalist Field Practicum
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 1-9:	Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds)
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #2: Weekly Learning	
Competency(ies) assessed:	1, 4, 5, 9
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, Skills, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Generalist Field Practicum Seminar
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 1 and 9:	Students must score a minimum of 4 out of 6 points (Meets or Exceeds)
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 3, 4, and 5:	Students must score greater than 1 on Quality of Writing and Self-Reflection categories (Meets or Exceeds)
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-5, 9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence

Assessment Measure #3: Group Facilitation	
Competency(ies) assessed:	6, 7, 8
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, Skills, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Group Dynamics course
Who assessed student competence:	Instructor: Dr. Tabitha Brookins
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 3:	Average of students' score on items 5-6 for the master rubric using 5-point Likert Scale, Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds)
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 6:	Average of students' score on items 7-8 for the master rubric using 5-point Likert Scale, Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds)
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 7:	Average of students' score on items 9-10 for the master rubric using 5-point Likert Scale, Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds)
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 8:	Average of students' score on items 11-12 for the master rubric using 5-point Likert Scale, Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds)
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 6-8:	75% of students will demonstrate competence

Assessment Measure #4: Policy Analysis	
Competency(ies) assessed:	2
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, Skills, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Social Welfare Services and Policies II
Who assessed student competence:	Instructor: Dr. Shanae Shaw
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 2:	Students must earn a score of 25 or more (out of 30)
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 6-8:	75% of students will demonstrate competence

Summary of the Program's Assessment Plan | Specialized Practice

Students are assessed using a minimum of two measures on their mastery of the nine competencies that comprise the Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards of the Council on Social Work Education and any additional competencies programs may choose to add, that reflect the area of specialized practice. Summarize the program's competency-based assessment plan. Programs may add/delete rows to accurately reflect the number of areas of specialized practice and each measure included in the data presented.

Area of Specialized Practice #1: FORENSIC SOCIAL WORK

Assessment Measure #1: Field Learning Contract	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Skills, Values, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Field Practicum
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 1-9:	Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds)

Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #2: Weekly Learning Journals	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, Skills, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Specialization Field Practicum Seminar
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 2, 8:	Students must score greater than 1 on Quality of Writing and Self-Reflection categories (Meets or Exceeds)
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 1, 6:	Students must score greater than 1 on Quality of Writing and Self-Reflection categories (Meets or Exceeds)
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #3: Comprehensive Assessment Tool	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Integrative Seminar

Who assessed student competence:	Instructor; Dr. Denise Davis-Maye
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 2, 5:	Students must score a minimum of 70% cumulative score on the identified items
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #4: Case Formulation	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Psychopathology
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 5:	Students must score a minimum of 85% cumulative score on the identified items
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #5: Program Evaluation Proposal	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, Skills, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Advanced Research and Program Evaluation
Who assessed student competence:	Instructor: Dr. Dawna Nelson

Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 4:	Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds) on Part I, Item 3, subitems 11, 12, 13
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 9:	Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds) on Part II, items 7, 8, 9,
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence

Area of Specialized Practice #1: MENTAL HEALTH

Assessment Measure #1: Field Learning Contract	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Skills, Values, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Field Practicum
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 1-9:	Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds)

Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #2: Weekly Learning Journals	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, Skills, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Specialization Field Practicum Seminar
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 1, 2 , 6, 8:	Students must score greater than 1 on Quality of Writing and Self-Reflection categories (Meets or Exceeds)
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 1, 6:	Students must score greater than 1 on Quality of Writing and Self-Reflection categories (Meets or Exceeds)
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #3: Comprehensive Assessment Tool	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Integrative Seminar

Who assessed student competence:	Instructor; Dr. Denise Davis-Maye
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 3, 5:	Students must score a minimum of 70% cumulative score on the identified items
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #4: Case Formulation	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Psychopathology
Who assessed student competence:	Field Director
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 7:	Students must score a minimum of 85% cumulative score on the identified items
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence
Assessment Measure #5: Program Evaluation Proposal	
Dimension(s) assessed:	Knowledge, Values, Skills, C/A Processes
When/where students are assessed:	Advanced Research and Program Evaluation
Who assessed student competence:	Instructor: Dr. Dawna Nelson

Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 4:	Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds) on Part I, Item 3, subitems 11, 12, 13
Outcome Measure Benchmark (minimum score indicative of achievement) for Competencies 9:	Students must score a minimum of 3 out of 5 points (meets, exceeds or greatly exceeds) on Part II, items 7, 8, 9,
Competency Benchmark (percent of students the program expects to have achieved the minimum scores, inclusive of all measures) for Competencies 1-9:	75% of students will demonstrate competence

Directions for completing Form AS 4

Indicate the benchmark percentage for each competency. The competency benchmark is the percent of students the program expects to have achieved both/all outcome measure benchmarks. Programs calculate the percentage of students achieving each outcome measure benchmark, then calculate the percentage of students achieving each competency inclusive of two or more measures for each program option. Programs with multiple program options must present data for each program option, and in aggregate inclusive of all program options per competency. Programs may add/delete columns and to accurately reflect the number of program options offered. This is a required form. The assessment data table may be altered to accurately reflect the number of program options offered and additional program-developed competencies. However, beyond these formatting alternations, the program may not alter the content of this form.

Assessment Data Collected during the Academic Year (2023-2024) Program Option #1: FACE-TO-FACE

COMPETENCY	COMPETENCY BENCHMARK (%) (GENERALIST)	COMPETENCY BENCHMARK (AREA OF SPECIALIZED PRACTICE)	PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ACHIEVING BENCHMARK		
			Generalist Practice n = 4	Area of Specialized Practice #1 (Identify Specialization) n = 10	Area of Specialized Practice #2 (Identify Specialization) n = 3
Competency 1: Demonstrate Ethical and Professional Behavior	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$	$100\% + -100\%/2 = 100\%$
Competency 2: Engage Diversity and Difference in Practice	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	$100\% + 33\%/2 = 66\%$	$100\% + 70\%/2 = 85\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$
Competency 3: Advance Human Rights and Social, Economic, and Environmental Justice	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 3 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	$100\% + 50\%/2 = 75\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$
Competency 4: Engage in Practice-informed Research and Research-informed Practice	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$
Competency 5: Engage in Policy Practice	75% of students will	75% of students will	$100\% + 100\% = 75\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$	$100\% + 100\%/2 = 100\%$

	demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures			
Competency 6: Engage with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	100% + 100%/2=100	100%+ 40/2=70%	100% + 66 %/2=83%
Competency 7: Assess Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	100% + 100 %/2=100	100% + 88%/2=100	100% + 100 %/2=100
Competency 8: Intervene with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	100% + 100 %/2=100	100% + 90%% = 95%	100% + 100% %/2=100%
Competency 9: Evaluate Practice with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	75% of students will demonstrate competence inclusive of 2 measures	100% +100% = 100%	100% + 80%/2=90	100% + 66%/2=83