#### DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

# PROPOSED CREATION OF A PUBLIC SAFETY CERTIFICATE IN THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG, 2018-2020

Dean Luis H. Zayas in the School of Social Work has filed with the Secretary of the Faculty Council the following proposal to create a Public Safety certificate in the School of Social Work chapter in the *Undergraduate Catalog*, 2018-2020. On October 5, 2016, the Dean and faculty in the School of Social Work approved the proposal. The Secretary has classified this proposal as legislation of exclusive interest to a single college or school.

The Committee on Undergraduate Degree Program Review recommended approval of the proposal on May 15, 2017, and forwarded it to the Office of the General Faculty. The Faculty Council has the authority to approve this legislation on behalf of the General Faculty. The authority to grant final approval on this legislation resides with the Provost on behalf of the President.

If no objection is filed with the Office of the General Faculty by the date specified below, the legislation will be held to have been approved by the Faculty Council. If an objection is filed within the prescribed period, the legislation will be presented to the Faculty Council at its next meeting. The objection, with reasons, must be signed by a member of the Faculty Council.

To be counted, a protest must be received in the Office of the General Faculty by October 12, 2017.

Alan W. Friedman, Secretary of the General Faculty and Faculty Council

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|    | Change  | rtificate Progra<br>an Existing Co<br>Program | am<br>ertificate Prograr   | n               |  |  |  |  |
|----|---|---|--|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
|    | Note: If the certificate program proposed for addition or change includes a requirement of 21 to 24 semester credit hours, an additional form is required for THECB approval/notification.      |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | Proposed classification: $\square$  | Exclusive                                     | ☐ General  | □Major          |  |  |  |  |
| 1. | IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IS YES, THE COLLEGE MUST CONSULT <u>LINDA DICKENS, DIRECTOR OF ACCREDITATION AND ASSESSMENT</u> , TO DETERMINE IF SACSCOC APPROVAL IS REQUIRED. |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | • Is this a new transcript-recognized certificate program?  |   |  |                 | Yes ⊠ No □                                     |  |  |  |
|    | • Is this a request to delete an e  | _   | -  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | Does the certificate offer count  | Yes No No                                     |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | • Will courses in this program l  |   | •  |                 | Yes 🗌 No 🖂                                     |  |  |  |
|    | Will courses be developed specified.  | ecifically for the                            | ne new certificate   | e?              | Yes 🗌 No 🖂                                     |  |  |  |
| 2. | THIS PROPOSAL INVOLVES  | : (Please chec                                | k all that apply)  | )               |  |  |  |  |
|    | ☐ Courses in other colleges   | ☐ Courses                                     | in proposer's co   | ollege that are | ☐ Flags  |  |  |  |
|    | Course in the core curriculum   | ☐ Change                                      | in course sequer<br>program  | ncing for an    | Courses that have to be added to the inventory |  |  |  |
|    | Change in admission requirements (external or internal)   | catalog<br>accepta                            | ments not explic<br>language (e.g., lible courses main<br>tent office) | ists of         | ·  |  |  |  |
| 3. | SCOPE OF PROPOSED CHAN  | IGE:  |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | a. Does this proposal impact oth If yes, then how?  | er colleges/scl                               | nools?   |                 | Yes 🗌 No 🔀                                     |  |  |  |
|    | b. Do you anticipate a net chang If yes, how many more (or fe   |   |  | your college?   | Yes ⊠ No □                                     |  |  |  |
|    | c. Do you anticipate a net increase (or decrease) in the number of students from out  |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | taking <u>classes in your college</u> If yes, please indicate the nun   |   | es and/or aloss so   | ata involved    | Yes 🗌 No 🔀                                     |  |  |  |
|    | d. Do you anticipate a net increa   |   |  |                 | n vour college taking                          |  |  |  |
|    | courses in other colleges?  | (   | -,   |                 | Yes No No                                      |  |  |  |
|    | If yes, please indicate the nun   |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | If 3 a, b, c, or d was answered w   |   |  | ~ -             |  |  |  |  |
|    | potential budgetary impacts for   |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | negligible increase in the number<br>How many students do you ex  |   |  |                 | oe at the conege-level.                        |  |  |  |
|    | Impacted schools must be cor  | -   |  | =               |  |  |  |  |
|    | Person communicated wi  |   | ii response(s) III   | ciaded.         |  |  |  |  |
|    | Date of communication:  |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |
|    | Response:   |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |

- 4. OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE NAME: Undergraduate Certificate: Public Safety Certificate
- 5. PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Fall 2018
- **6. CIP CODE** (administrative unit awarding the certificate): Social Work (44.0701)
- 7. STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE: The certificate in public safety will provide undergraduate social work students with coursework and service learning opportunities that prepare them for careers in public safety. These careers may include work in such settings as law enforcement, fire departments, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and emergency management at the local, state, and national levels.
- 8. NUMBER OF STUDENTS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE THE CERTIFICATE EACH SEMESTER: Six to ten per year students will complete an application form and submit it to the Undergraduate Program Coordinator, who, in consultation with the Sr. Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, will offer admission to the Certificate Program.
- 9. NUMBER OF HOURS REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION (Note: If the number of required hours is 21 to 24, THECB form is required: Eighteen hours

## 10. LIST FACULTY ON THE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM FACULTY COMMITTEE.

| Name of Faculty<br>Member | College/Depart<br>ment | Title at UT Austin              | Highest Degree and<br>Awarding Institution |
|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Allan Cole                | Social Work            | Sr. Assoc.<br>Dean/Professor    | Ph.D., Princeton<br>Seminary               |
| Michael Lauderdale        | Social Work            | Professor                       | Ph.D. Univ. of<br>Oklahoma                 |
| Lori Holleran-Steiker     | Social Work            | Professor                       | Ph.D. Arizona State<br>Univ.               |
| Tanya Voss                | Social Work            | Clinical Professor/Asst. Dean   | MSSW, The University of Texas at Austin    |
| Cossy Hough               | Social Work            | Clinical Associate<br>Professor | MSSW, The University of Texas at Austin    |
| Mary Mulvaney             | Social Work            | Clinical Professor              | MSSW, The University of Texas at Austin    |

# 11. ACADEMIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS: Use this table to identify the courses that qualify for this certificate program.

| Course Abbreviation | Course Title                                   | SCH |
|---------------------|--|-----|
| and Number          |  |     |
| PSF 311             | Social Work and Public Safety                  | 3   |
| SW 325              | Foundations of Social Justice                  | 3   |
| PSF 360K            | Public Safety Field Immersion                  | 3   |
|                     | Three Courses Chosen from the Following:       | 9   |
| SW 311 (Topic 3)    | Introduction to the Criminal Justice System    |     |
| SW 360K (Topic 12)  | Social Work in the Legal System                |     |
| SW 360K (Topic 14)  | Working with Youth Gangs                       |     |
| SW 360K (Topic 15)  | Youth, Delinquency, and Juvenile Justice       |     |
| SW 360K (Topic 8)   | Leadership in the Community                    |     |
| SW 360K(Topic 5)    | Advanced Topics in Social and Economic Justice |     |
| SW 360K (Topic 6)   | Contemporary Issues in Domestic Violence       |     |

| SW 360K (Topic 3)  | Treatment of Substance Use Disorders                    |  |
|--------------------|---|--|
| SW 360K(Topic 17)  | Principles of Recovery and Relapse Prevention           |  |
| SW 360K (Topic 11) | Communication Skills in Interdisciplinary Settings      |  |
| SW 360K (Topic 4)  | Social Work Practice with Abused and Neglected Children |  |
|                    | and their Families                                      |  |
| SW 360K (Topic 9)  | Loss and Grief: Individual, Family, and Cultural        |  |
| , 1                | Perspectives  |  |
| SW 306L (Topic 18) | Mental Health Issues in Public Safety                   |  |

### 12. OTHER CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS:

All courses need to be completed with the grade of C or higher. PSF 360K Public Safety Field Immersion will be taken on a pass/fail basis. Field Immersion placements will be completed in public safety related settings, including such possibilities as the Austin Police Department, UT Police Department, Travis County Sheriff's Office, the Department of Corrections, City of Austin Office of Emergency Management, Travis County Office of Emergency Management, and Austin EMS.

13. GIVE A DETAILED RATIONALE FOR CHANGE(S): Preparing social work students for careers in public safety settings will broaden career options for bachelor-level social workers. This preparation will also enhance opportunities for social work values and skills to shape efforts for ongoing excellence and positive change in a range of human service contexts.

#### 14. COLLEGE/SCHOOL APPROVAL PROCESS:

Department approval date: October 5, 2016 Approved by whom: Faculty
College approval date: October 5, 2016 Approved by whom: Faculty
Dean approval date: October 5, 2016 Approved by whom: Luis H. Zayas

#### PROPOSED NEW CATALOG TEXT

Catalog language; section <u>Catalogs</u> > <u>Undergraduate</u> > <u>School of Social Work</u> > Minor and Certificate Programs

#### Certificate in Public Safety for Bachelor of Social Work Students

The certificate in public safety provides undergraduate social work students with coursework and service learning opportunities that prepare them for careers in public safety. These careers may include work in such settings as law enforcement, fire departments, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and emergency management at the local, state, and national levels.

#### **Requirements**

The certificate will be awarded to students whose successful completion of the BSW program of work includes six courses (eighteen hours) in the area of focus, including:

- 1. PSF 311 Social Work and Public Safety (three hours)
- 2. SW 325 Foundations of Social Justice: Values, Diversity, Power, and Oppression (three hours)
- 3. Three courses chosen from the following: (nine hours)
  - SW 311 Introduction to the Criminal Justice System
  - SW 360K Social Work in the Legal System
  - SW 360K Working with Youth Gangs
  - SW 360K Youth, Delinquency, and Juvenile Justice
  - SW 360K Leadership in the Community
  - SW 360K Advanced Topics in Social and Economic Justice
  - SW 360K Contemporary Issues in Domestic Violence
  - SW 360K Treatment of Substance Use Disorders

SW 360K Principles of Recovery and Relapse Prevention

SW 360K Communication Skills in Interdisciplinary Settings

SW 360K Social Work Practice with Abused and Neglected Children and their Families

SW 360K Loss and Grief: Individual, Family, and Cultural Perspectives

SW 360K Mental Health Issues in Public Safety

4. Public Safety Field Immersion (one hour per week seminar and 120 hrs. of service learning) (three hours)

#### Field Immersion Placements

Placements will be completed in public safety related settings, including such possibilities as the Austin Police Department, UT Police Department, Travis County Sheriff's Office, the Department of Corrections, City of Austin Office of Emergency Management, Travis County Office of Emergency Management, and Austin EMS.

## **Application Process**

Students will complete an application form and submit it to the Undergraduate Program Coordinator, who, in consultation with the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, will offer admission to the Certificate Program.