## Brescia University BSW Program

## ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Form AS4 (B) Duplicate and expand as needed. Provide table(s) to support self -study narrative addressing the accreditation standards below.
This form is used to assist the COA in the evaluation of the program's compliance with the accreditation standards below:
4.0.2 The program provides summary data and outcomes for the assessment of each of its competencies, identifying the percentage of students achieving the benchmark.
4.0.4 The program uses Form AS $4(B)$ and/or AS4 (M) to report assessment outcomes to its constituents and the public on its website and routinely up-dates (minimally every 2 years) these postings

All Council on Social Work Education programs measure and report student learning outcomes. Students are assessed on their mastery of the competencies that comprise the accreditation standards of the Council on Social Work Education. These competencies are dimensions of social work practice that all social workers are expected to master during their professional training. A measurement benchmark is set by the social work programs for each competency. An assessment score at or above that benchmark is considered by the program to represent mastery of that particular competency.

| COMPETENCY | COMPETENCY BENCHMARK | PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS ACHIEVING BENCHMARK |
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|  | 3.0 or better on 5 pt. scale to measure practice behaviors throughout the curriculum |  |
| Identify as a Professional Social Worker | $85 \%$ of students will demonstrate competency | 99.6\% |
| Apply Ethical Principles | 85\% of students will demonstrate competency | 98.4\% |
| Apply Critical Thinking Thinking | 85\% of students will demonstrate competency | 97.0\% |
| Engage Diversity in Practice | $85 \%$ of students will demonstrate competency | 98.5\% |
| Advance Human Rights/ Social and Economic Justice | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 85\% of students will } \\ & \text { demonstrate competency } \end{aligned}$ | 98.3\% |
| Engage Research Informed Practice/ Practice Informed Research | 85\% of students will demonstrate competency | 97.5\% |
| Apply Human Behavior Knowledge | $85 \%$ of students will demonstrate competency | 98.2\% |
| Engage Policy Practice to Advance WellBeing and Deliver Services | $85 \%$ of students will demonstrate competency | 94.1\% |
| Respond to Practice Contexts | 85\% of students will demonstrate competency | 95.0\% |
| Practice Engagement | $85 \%$ of students will demonstrate competency | 97.5\% |
| Practice Assessment | 85\% of students will demonstrate competency | 98.7\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Practice } \\ & \text { Intervention } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 85\% of students will demonstrate competency | 98.4\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Practice } \\ & \text { Evaluation } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 85\% of students will demonstrate competency | 95.2\% |


| Competency | Practice Behaviors---current student behaviors measured by assignment rubrics and final field evaluation* | Location | Objective or Item Number | Measure---85\% of students will demonstrate competency | Outcome/Results |
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| Educational Policy 2.1.1— Identify as a professional social worker and conduct oneself accordingly. *99.6\% | a) Advocate for client access to the services of social work. *97.3\% | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { 2.1.1a } \\ \text { *SW406 } \end{array}$ | Objective 1 | Student will score a minimum 3.0 on a 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 1.5 | Met benchmark at 97.3\%. <br> Average Score 4.24 |
|  |  | Alumni Survey | Question 1 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale | Met benchmark with score of 4.26 |
|  |  | Employer Survey | Question 1 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale | Met benchmark with score of 4.60 |
|  | b) Practice personal reflection and selfcorrection to assure continual professional development. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2.1.1b } \\ & \text { *SW301 } \end{aligned}$ | Objective 1 | Student will score and average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on SelfReflection Rubric item | Met benchmarkat 100\% |
|  | *100\% | *SW406 | Objective 1 | Student will score and average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation iten 1.6 | Met benchmark at 100\%. <br> Average score 4.39 |
|  |  | Alumni Survey | Question 2 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale | Met benchmark with score of 4.38 |
|  | c) Attend to professional roles and boundaries. *100\% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2.1.1c } \\ & \text { *SW406 } \end{aligned}$ | Objective 1 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 1.7 | Met benchmark at 100\%. <br> Average score 4.36 |





|  | *SW302 | Objective 1 <br> Objective 1 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Analysis of Human Services Organization Rubric item. <br> Student will score an | Met benchmark at 97\% Met benchmark at 95.5\% |
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|  |  |  | average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Public Issue Project Rubric item. |  |
|  | *SW406 | Objective 3 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 3.8 | Met benchmark at 91.9\%. Average score 4.14 |
|  | *SW410 | Objective 7 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Midterm question 5 | Met benchmark at 94.5\% |
|  | Alumni Survey | Question 10 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on question. | Met benchmark with score of 4.37 |
| b) Analyze models of assessment, prevention, intervention and evaluation. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2.1.3b } \\ & \text { *SW304 } \end{aligned}$ | Objective 3 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Theory Paper Rubric | Met benchmark at 97.5\% |
|  | SW305 | Objective 3 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field । Case Study Rubric | Met benchmark at 100\% |
|  | SW405 | Objective 4 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Best Practice Project Rubric | Met benchmark at 100\% |



|  | Employer Survey | Question 8 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 4.10 |
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| b) Gain sufficient selfawareness to eliminate the influence of personal biases and values in working with diverse groups. | $\begin{array}{l\|l} \text { 2.1.4b } \\ \text { *SW280 } \end{array}$ | Objective 4 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Values Paper Rubric item. | Met benchmark at 98.6\% |
| *94.6\% | *SW301 | Objective 3 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Research Reading Summaries Rubric item. | Met benchmark at 96.6\% |
|  | *SW310 | Objective 4 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Research Paper Rubric item. | Did not meet benchmark at 83.1\% |
|  | *SW406 | Objective 4 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 4.4 | Met benchmark at 100\%. Average score 4.33 |
| c) Recognize and | 2.1.4c | Objective 6 | Student will score an | Met benchmark at 99.2\% |
| *99.7\% | *SW310 | Objective 5 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Cultural Review Rubric item. | Met benchmark at 100\% |
|  | *SW406 | Objective 4 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 4.5 | Met benchmark at 100\%. Average score 4.38 |


|  | d) View themselves as learners and engage those whom they work as informants. <br> *100\% | 2.1.4d *SW406 <br> Alumni Survey | Objective 4 <br> Question 13 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 4.6 <br> Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark at 100\%. <br> Average score 4.51 <br> Met benchmark with score of 4.49 |
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| Educational Policy 2.1.5—Advance human rights and social and economic justice.*98.3\% | a) Understand the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination. <br> *97.9\% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 2.1 .5 \mathrm{a} \\ & \text { *SW310 } \end{aligned}$ | Objective 2 | Student will score 3.0 on 5 point scale on Film Assignment Rubric item. | Met benchmark at 100\% |
|  |  | *SW401 | Objective 1 | Student will score 3.0 on 5 point scale on Comprehensive Assignment Rubric item. | Met benchmark at 96.3\% |
|  | b) Advocate for human | *SW406 | Objective 5 <br> Objective 5 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 5.3 <br> Student will score an | Met benchmark at 97.4\%. <br> Average score 4.13 <br> Met benchmark at 97.1\%. |
|  | rights and social and economic justice. *97.1\% | *SW406 |  | average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field items 5.4 and 10.6 | Average score 4.05 |
|  |  | Alumni Survey | Question 14 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 4.27 |
|  |  | Employer Survey | Question 9 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 4.10 |
|  | c) Engage in practices that advance social and economic justice. *100\% | 2.1.5c <br> *SW406 | Objective 5 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 5.5 | Met benchmark at 100\%. Average score 4.06 |


|  |  | Alumni Survey <br> Employer Survey | Question 15 <br> Question 10 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. <br> Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 4.22 <br> Met benchmark with score of 4.20 |
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| Educational Policy 2.1.6-Engage in research-informed practice and practiceinformed research.*97.5\% | a) Use practice experience to inform scientific inquiry. *99\% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { 2.1.6a } \\ & \text { *SW405 } \end{aligned}$ | Objective 1 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on item in Best Practice Project | Met benchmark at 100\% |
|  |  | *SW406 | Objective 6 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 6.1 | Met benchmark at 97\%. Average score 4.00 |
|  |  | *SW410 | Objective 6 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on SelfReport of Learning question 6 | Met benchmark at 100\% |
|  |  | Alumni Survey | Question 16 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 3.83 |
|  | b) Use research evidence to inform practice. \|*95.9\% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2.1.6b } \\ & \text { *SW302 } \end{aligned}$ | Objective 3 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Analysis of Human Services Organization Rubric Item. | Met benchmark at 91.5\% |
|  |  | *SW310 | Objective 6 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Research Rubric item. | Met benchmark at 92.2\% |
|  |  | *SW406 | Objective 6 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 6.4 | Met benchmark at $100 \%$. Average score 4.03 |



|  |  | *SW406 | Objective 7 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation items 7.1 and 7.4 | Met benchmark at 97.4\%. <br> Average score 4.10 |
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| Educational Policy 2.1.8-Engage in policy practice to advance social and economic well-being and to deliver effective social work services. *94.1\% | a) Analyze, formulate and advocate for policies that advance social well-being.\|*94.3\% | 2.1.8a | Objective 8 | Student will score an | Met benchmark at 92.4\% |
|  |  | *SW305 |  | average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on item in Field I Case Study Rubric |  |
|  |  | *SW401 | Objective 2 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Comprehensive Assignment Rubric item. | Met benchmark at 96.3\% |
|  |  | *SW406 | Objective 8 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 8.6 | Met benchmark at 94.1\%. <br> Average score 3.94 |
|  |  | Alumni Survey | Question 18 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 3.74 |
|  | b) Collaborate with colleagues and clients for effective policy action. *93.9\% | $\begin{array}{\|l} \text { 2.1.8b } \\ \text { *sw406 } \end{array}$ | Objective 8 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 8.7 | Met benchmark at 93.9\%. <br> Average score 4.06 |
|  |  | Alumni Survey | Question 19 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 4.07 |
|  |  | Employer Survey | Question 11 | Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark with score of 4.30 |






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| d(1) Critically analyze, monitor and evaluate interventions. *95.2\% | *SW406 <br> Alumni <br> Survey <br> Employer <br> Survey | Objective 10 <br> Question 30 <br> Question 26 | Student will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale on Field Evaluation item 10.3 <br> Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. <br> Cohort will score an average of 3.0 on 5 point scale. | Met benchmark at 91.4\%. <br> Average score 3.94 <br> Met benchmark with score of 4.26 <br> Met benchmark with score of 4.00 |
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The Social Work Program at Brescia University continues to monitor the assessment data each year to evaluate student outcomes related to each of the CSWE competencies. The assessment data for this year utilizes the 2008 EPAS competencies. The program will continue to monitor the 2015 EPAS changes and will update the assessment data as soon as these changes are complete. The program continues to survey alumni and employers as outside measures regarding the efficacy of graduates from the program. Both of these surveys resulted in a low number of respondents, thus raising the question of validity. The program will develop avenues to increase alumni and employer participation in the survey process in order to improve the validity of the data.

Previous changes in SW405 (Research Methods) to emphasize EPAS 2.1.6a -- Use practice experience to inform scientific inquiry, resulted in an increase from $88.2 \%$ to $100 \%$, meeting the benchmark score of 3 on a 5 point scale. This data will continue to be monitored to ensure these results remain consistent. Previously, we also made changes in SW305 (Field I) to address EPAS 2.1.8a -- Analyze, formulate and advocate for policies that advance social well-being. The results of the data for this measure show a decrease from $100 \%$ to $92.4 \%$ during this academic year. Although this measure still meets our benchmark, this is a significant drop in the data. This will be monitored closely in the next academic year. In addition, the measure in SW306 (Practice II) for EPAS 2.1.10c(5) met the benchmark, but showed a large drop from $100 \%$ to $92.4 \%$ in this academic year. This measure will be observed closely as well during the 2015-2016 academic year.

In the previous academic year (2013-2014), SW302 (HBSE II) did not meet the benchmark expected. The outcome of the 2014-2015 academic year shows a slight improvement from $82.3 \%$ to $87.5 \%$, meeting the benchmark for this measure. However, this outcome is still lower than expected and will be monitored for continued improvment in the next academic year. In addition, the previous report indicated the need for additional measures for 2.1.10b(3), 2.1.10c(1), 2.1.10c(2), and 2.1.10c(4). These items were not able to be added during the course of the 2014-2015 academic year, and will be included in the next academic year.

Upon further review of the assessment data, a few concerns were identified. The outcome for the item from SW310 in EPAS 2.1.4b did not meet the benchmark at $83.1 \%$. In the previous year, the item only met the benchmark at $87.6 \%$. The progam will review this measure to acertain reasons for the low scores and what can be done to increase the number of students who meet this benchmark. A likely cause of the low numbers for ths measure could be attributed to not all faculty completing the necessary rubrics for the assignments in this course. The program will provide training to all full-time and adjunct faculty regarding the completion of rubrics.

Other concerns identified include the items from SW410 in EPAS 2.1.6a and EPAS 2.1.6b. Although each of these items meet

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the benchmark at 100\%, the instructor raised concern regarding the reliability of these measures. In reviewing the responses on the rubrics for these two items, we noted students did not answer all questions, therefore limiting the data to make an accurate measure. The program will research how to improve the response to these items, thus improving the reliability of the measure. Steps will be taken to ensure all students answer every question necessary to measure these outcomes.

All other measure fluctuated slightly from the previous report, but remained above the benchmark of $85 \%$ meeting the competency. Future assessment of each item will determine whether these changes are due to normal variation, or a trend in the data.

