

Course Description SW 835

This course will critically examine current counselling models through the lens of colonization, decolonization and employing cross-cultural, structural and anti-oppressive approaches to social work practice with specific attention given to the historical legacies of colonialization and residential schools in examining practices of power, cultural competence and sensitivity.

This course will be delivered in the 2022 Spring/ Summer Session 1:

Regina Sessions: Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. May 7, 14, 21; Saskatoon Sessions: May 28, June 4, 11

This course has been developed and designed as Land Based and Learning with the Land. This means much of the learning to meet course objectives will be done outside as we engage in activities that put us more closely in touch with what the land has to offer in terms of decolonization, Indigenization, & Reconciliation. This course will draw on Indigenous Knowledges and practice in ways that are designed to include Elders & Knowledge Keepers.

To make the course accessible and available to students from both Saskatoon and Regina Faculty of Social Work campuses, the course will be offered as hybrid. A hybrid course has an on-site section that is linked concurrently with a remote section. Students attending on-site will register in the on-site class section and students attending remotely will register in the remote section of the course. Throughout the semester, students must attend class through their registered section only. They are not allowed to switch between the sections at will.

Students who register into in-person section are expected to attend all 6 weeks in person in either campus. Students who live at a distance of 150 km from Regina/Saskatoon will be able to register into a remote section of the course. The remote section of the course uses Zoom for connecting off-site students to the on-site instructor and students in real time. When the teachings move from a classroom to outdoors; the students who will be taking class remotely will be expected to independently undertake the activities designed for the day.

Note: To register in a remote section, contact MSW Program Advisor.