

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, September 6, 2018

**Location:** ED 114

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

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## AGENDA

1. **Welcome to new Chair and new members of the Committee**
2. **Approval of the Agenda**
3. **Approval of the Minutes for June 14, 2018, meeting** – *circulated with the agenda*
4. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
5. **Reports from Faculties and other Academic Units**
  - 5.1 Social Work, [Appendix I](#), pages 2-3
  - 5.2 Registrar's Office, [Appendix II](#), page 4
6. **Other Business**
  - 6.1 CCUAS meetings for Winter 2019
7. **Adjournment**

#### 4. Business Arising from the Minutes

#### 5. Reports from Faculties and other Academic Units

Appendix I

##### 5.1 Report from the Faculty of Social Work

The the Social Work Faculty Council met on March 14, 2018, approved and recommends the following motions.

##### Items for Approval

##### **Motion 1: Social Work – Mature Admissions**

To revise the Mature Admission GPA from 60% to 70%, **effective 201830**.

**Rationale:** To be consistent with the Faculty's recent GPA increases to 70%. The Mature Admission changes were missed in the first round of GPA revisions, passed in December 2017 at CCUAS and should be in line with the 70% requirements in this Faculty.

(end of motion 1)

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The calendar will be revised as follows:

**Mature Admission** (page 272 print, 278 web)

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Applicants for mature admission to Pre-Social Work who have been taking courses through the University of Regina's Centre for Continuing Education or Casual Student Program must also present a UGPA of at least ~~60%~~ 70% on all University of Regina courses taken....

**Advising and Registration Requirements for Mature Admissions to Pre-Social Work** (page 272 print, 278 web)

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Applicants granted mature admission are subject to the following additional restrictions....

3. May register in more than 12 credit hours if they:

- have the equivalent of 12 credit hours of transfer credit from another recognized post-secondary institution with a minimum grade point average of ~~60%~~ 70%;

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- Achieve a minimum term grade point average (TGPA) of ~~60%~~ 70% in the first full-time term at the University of Regina.

##### Items for Information

##### **1. Social Work Practicum Changes and the Undergraduate Calendar**

On November 15, 2017, the SW Faculty Council approved to recommend “the approval to end summer practicums for SW 448. Exceptions are faculty special projects/approvals. Effective 201920.” The elimination of the Spring/Summer practicum is because placement coordinators at both campuses were reporting great difficulty in finding summer practicums. This motion was then approved at the December 2017 CCUAS meeting, the January 2018 Executive of Council meeting and lastly at Senate in February 2018. The elimination of the Spring/Summer Practicum should be reflected in the Undergraduate Calendar immediately as indicated below:

(end of item 1)

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**Social Work Practicum** (page 281 web, 275 print)

Professional social work education involves the acquisition of knowledge and skills through academic study and through supervised practice, which is called practicum (SW 348 and SW 448). Practicum involves direct practice in social work agencies and other helping settings. Students will be exposed to helping situations in which they are expected to have direct involvement in the helping role. The student will also be expected to carry reduced workload, subject to close supervision by the agency. Seminars are conducted to provide students with an additional source of theoretical learning which relates to the practicum experience. Students are also provided with opportunities to share learning through presentation of cases and study of practice issues that emerge in a group of peers experiencing practicum in different agency settings.

Eligibility requirements for SW 348 and 448: See the Bachelor of Social Work section below and course descriptions in the Courses section in this Calendar or in [UR Self-Service](#).

Students are not permitted to register for any other courses during a full-time SW 448 practicum term, without written permission of the Associate Dean of Social Work. Only in extenuating circumstances, beyond the student's control, will this permission be granted.

All students must have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 70% on the social work studies section of their program, and must have successfully completed the prerequisite courses to be eligible to register for SW 348 or SW 448. Students may choose to complete the practicum through the University of Regina campuses in Regina, or Saskatoon on a full-time or part-time (SW 448 only) basis. All students must have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 70.00% on the social work studies section of their program and must have successfully completed the prerequisite courses to be eligible to register for SW 348 or SW 448. With the exception of Yukon College, BSW and Aurora CSW programs, instructions to apply for a practicum placement are on the Social Work website [www.uregina.ca/socialwork](http://www.uregina.ca/socialwork). SW 348 placements must be completed in Saskatchewan, and are generally not available in the spring/summer term unless otherwise indicated by the Faculty. SW 448 may be completed on a part-time basis over two terms.

Orientation for both SW 348 and 448 will occur prior to the start of the term.

Deadlines for Application for Practicum (SW348 and SW448) in Canada: **Social Work Practicum Information for U of R BSW Students**

Spring/Summer practicum – March 1

Fall practicum – March 1

Winter practicum – October 1

The following practicum information pertains to students taking the U of R (Saskatchewan-based) BSW program, and does not apply to students in the Yukon College BSW or Aurora College CSW programs.

Instructions to apply for a practicum placement are on the Social Work website [www.uregina.ca/socialwork](http://www.uregina.ca/socialwork). SW 348 placements must be completed in Saskatchewan. SW 348 and SW 448 are available in the Fall and Winter semesters only. Limited Spring/Summer practicum placements for SW 448 may be available for special projects offered through the Faculty of Social Work. In extenuating circumstances, Faculty approval for Spring/Summer practicum may be considered for placements in rural or northern Saskatchewan, or out-of-province/international placements. SW 448 may be completed on a part-time basis over two semesters, starting in the Fall semester only. Practica have enrolment limits. Priority for placement will be given to students following our recommended course sequencing, in which SW 348 is completed in the second last semester, and SW 448 is completed in the final semester of the program.

Mandatory Preparation Workshops will occur prior to the commencement of the practicum placement and details on how to register for these sessions will be made known to students each term by Social Work Student Services.

Deadlines for International Application for Practicum (SW 348 and SW 448 Only) in Canada:

Fall practicum – March 31

Winter practicum – June 30 October 1

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Fall practicum – March 31

Winter practicum – June 30

## 5.2 Report from Registrar's Office

### Item for Discussion

#### Time Tickets for New Students

Class registration at the U of R is based on a time ticket system where the students with the largest amount of completed credit hours are given priority. This ensures that students continuing in their programs are given priority and are able to secure seats in classes that they need. Registration for new students typically opens on the first Saturday of May. This, however, often impedes students from getting the classes they need as a first year student which also contributes to conversion. Conversion is the process where a student who has been offered admission moves through acceptance of that offer and on to class registration. A student is 100% converted when they register in classes.

Many institutions across Canada have recognized the method of time tickets currently being used at the U of R as being a disadvantage to new students and have placed new students at the front of the line.

Proposal:

Assign time tickets to new students so that they can register in classes on the opening of registration. The current time ticket assignments would remain intact except for this one change.

### Item for Information

The Registrar's office offers the following course revision as information:

#### 1. Course Revision

##### **SWW BRDG**

That the course SWW BRDG be changed from non-credit to zero credit so it is eligible for student load funding (3 equated credit hours), P/F, and can be scheduled in the credit term (i.e. 201920 vs. 201925), **effective 201920**.

##### **Rationale:**

The Summer Bridge Program has shown to be effective and therefore we would like as many students as possible to be able to access it. The only way that can happen is if the zero-credit portion counts as equated credit for loan and funding purposes.

(end of item 1)

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