License Preparation Review Course—Feb. 1 & 2, 2014

Review for Bachelor's Level Test-LSW

Saturday, February 1, 2014 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM; 6 Social Work CEU's. Lindner Center, Room 450 - UC Main Campus. Study materials included.

Clinical/Advanced Exam- LISW

Saturday, February 1, 2014: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM; 6 Social Work CEU's. Lindner Center, Room 450 – UC Main Campus. Study materials included.

Sunday, February 2, 2014: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM; 6 Social Work CEU's. Lindner Center, Room 450 – UC Main Campus. Study materials included.

The presenter is Sophia F. Dziegielewski, Ph.D., Professor at the University of Central Florida. With this preparation course, Dr. Dziegielewski has helped over 17,000 social workers to successfully pass the licensing exam(s).

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Bachelors, Masters, Advanced and Clinical Exam Preparation

Participants will be able to:

Bachelors, Masters, Advanced and Clinical Preparation Day One

Test Taking Strategy

- Identify how to break down questions and identify key words.
- Apply Bloom's taxonomy to how questions are formulated.
- Practice how to take social work practice information and address it in a standardized format.

Bachelor's Level Exam is one Day and ONLY covers test taking strategy and general information related to generalist content only: (human growth and development, social work ethical principles and application).

Masters, Advanced Generalist and Clinical Exam preparation requires TWO days and covers all test preparation, general information relative to the generalist perspective and the specialized content relative to graduate level training is in day two.

Overview of Selected Content Areas:

- Identify, differentiate and interpret psychosocial history and collateral data information and how it relates in the social work practice setting, and, assess client problems along with behavioral/psychosocial strengths and weaknesses
- Identify diagnosis, assessment and practice intervention with mental and behavioral disorders utilizing the DSM-IV-TR and the multi-axial system (Clinical exam participants only)
- Define the components of intervention strategies with individuals, groups, families and communities (Clinical exam participants only)
- Recognize and recite the concepts relative to the major theoretical approaches, models and methods of
 practice in the social work profession.
- Identify factors in the therapeutic relationship that facilitate building and retaining relationships.
- Summarize the major theoretical approaches to understanding human growth and development with individuals, groups and families (Clinical exam participants only).
- Recite and synthesize the dynamics of abuse and neglect.
- Review and interpret the NASW Code of Ethics.
- Translate the most common policies and procedures that govern service delivery.
- Tabulate issues relative to practice management, and managed care agencies.

<u>University of Cincinnati School of Social Work 2014 Continuing Education Programs</u> <u>Registration Form</u>

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For directions to Lindner Center go to http://www.uc.edu/visitors/ - Click on West Campus Maps. Directions to the University of Cincinnati & campus parking can be found at this site.

To register, send this Registration Form along with a Check or Money Order Payable to the **University of Cincinnati**:

University of Cincinnati

Att: Karen Kreyenhagen School of Social Work PO Box 210108

Cincinnati, Ohio 45221-0108

For Questions Contact:

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Proceeds from this program will be used to support the University of Cincinnati, School of Social Work. Come prepared as drinks, snacks and lunch are not provided.

Subject: Preparation Course Information

Continuing Education Opportunity and What Exam to Take

1. Every state is different and has different rules for licensure. Before you decide what exam to take and when, know the rules in the state where you plan to hold your license. All of this will be discussed in the course but rules change so a current application is needed from that state to determine what you need to do and which exam you need to take. I am not an expert on licensure, as each state has different requirements; therefore this course is designed to ONLY prepare you to take the ASWB exam which is ONE requirement for licensure in most states.

2. Current requirements in the State of Ohio.

In the State of Ohio, when you graduate with the MSW, you have the option to take either the Bachelor's exam or the clinical exam, after you graduate. If you are not sure what you want to do, always check with the Ohio licensing board for the latest information. Always remember it is YOUR responsibility to apply and receive your professional license. Also, this continuing education offering is a course designed to prepare you for ASWB's exam which is a part of your licensure requirement—it is NOT a substitute for applying for licensure or taking the test.

In Ohio, if you have a BSW you can take the Bachelors exam at any time (after you have met the initial requirements) and become an LSW. If you are graduating with an MSW degree, you have an option to take either the Bachelor's exam or the Clinical exam.

Most social workers with and MSW will take the Bachelor's exam first as they feel it is easier and they are too nervous to take the Clinical. In Ohio, to get the LISW license you need TWO years post MSW experience and supervision - and to have passed the CLINICAL exam. If you take the clinical test right out of graduate school you can qualify for the LSW and later when you meet ALL the requirements for the LISW you do not have to take a second exam. I realize this can be confusing and this will be explained further in the course on the first day.

- 3. Please keep in mind every state is different with different rules and the rules change. You have to know the rules in your State of license. We live on the border of several states so be sure you know the rules for that state where you are licensed. For example, the rules in Indiana presently differ from Ohio in terms of what test is needed as the different levels of licensure.
- 4. One of the biggest mistakes students make is they call the exam a license and use the license initials to describe it. For example the LSW is the Bachelor's exam. This is not accurate, a license is a license and the exam is just ONE of the requirements you need to get a license. In social work almost all states use the ASWB exams but each license could require a different exam. Know the exam level and the rules required in the state where you seek your license.

ASWB has four levels of exams.

Bachelor's (this is covered in the one day course we offer)

Masters (covered in the two day course)

Advanced Generalist (covered in the two day course)

Clinical (covered in the two day course)

If you have any further individual questions about your situation after reading your licensure application packet call the licensing board. As a professional securing and maintaining licensure is your responsibility.

- 5. **Support for Passing the Exam:** Taking a preparation course can never guarantee you will pass the licensing exam. When requested, however, if you fail the exam, I can send updates via e-mail of extra questions to help you prepare again. This support will be explained in the course.
- 6. Also, we never know if this course will be offered at the School of Social Work every year but so far it has been offered for the last seven years. Each year this is our biggest fund raiser for the school. You can also take a course outside of this one to prepare for the exam and there are lots to choose from. These courses are privately run so you must contact the person responsible for the course, register and pay the fee. As a school fund-raiser all profits earned go back to the school and this is why we can offer this reduced-fee for our students, alumni..
- 7. I hope this helps you decide what you want to do. I have been doing this course for over 20 years and I have trained over 17,000 social workers to successfully pass this exam. I know how confusing this process can be and I will do my best to guide you on the path.

General Comments:

Knowing what I know, if it was me, I would take the two-day course as it will also help you in graduate school focus on what will be important for the clinical exam that will come next. The faculty in the School of Social Work recommends taking the Bachelor's exam out of school. This will require that you focus on the content from the first day. If you take the two day course use the second day to help you get ready for what is to come when you take the clinical exam at a later date. In Ohio, you have an option, and you need to decide if you want to take the easier exam first and take the harder one later. If you take the two day course it would work for both exams.

Sophia F. Dziegielewski, Ph.D. Professor, School of Social Work, University of Central Florida

I am listing the Ohio SW Board's website for recent changes but there is not much related to this test preparation course. See the "What's New" at: http://www.cswmft.ohio.gov/new.stm

Richard E. Lindner Athletic Center & Varsity Village

How to Enter After 6:00 p.m.

After 6:00 p.m. Weekdays and on Weekends the main entrance to the Lindner Center automatically locks.

Any event after this time must enter through the North Entrance to the building. (Near Oscar Robertson Statue)



