The signature pedagogy of social work at Kennesaw State University Masters of Social Work Program is the field education. Social work field education attempts to integrate knowledge, values, and skills offered in the classroom into practice at the field settings. The purpose of the practicum experience is to reinforce student learning in all areas of the social work curriculum. Therefore, by completing this application, I acknowledge that I understand the importance of representing myself, the Social Work Department, Wellstar College, and the University in an ethical and professional manner at all times, in both field and classroom settings. I further understand that failure to maintain a professional and ethical approach to interacting with my peers, KSU employees (faculty, staff, and administration), agency field supervisors, agency colleagues, and clients may result in my immediate removal from field.

**Contact Information**

Name: ___________________________ (Last) ___________________________ (First)

Address: ________________________________________________________________

________________________________________ (City, State) ___________________________ (Zip Code)

Email Address: __________________________________________________________

Primary Phone #: ___________________________ Alternate Phone #: ___________________________

**Field Attendance and Tasks**

Field Education is the place where students demonstrate the values, knowledge, and skill of entry-level generalist practitioners under the supervision of an approved Agency Field Instructor. As such, attendance (physical, emotional, and cognitive) in the field setting is a required part of field education. Therefore,

Students are not allowed to use field assigned days/times to complete course assignments. ________ (Student’s Initials).
Students are not allowed to misrepresent attendance in the field setting. All field logs/time sheets must be complete, accurate, and submitted ‘on time’ on the due date. Further, all field logs/time sheets must reflect actual tasks, supervision meetings, lunch breaks (required), and arrival and departure times. ______ (Student’s Initials).

As a whole, the schedule for classes and required group meetings/trainings are as follows:

1st Year/Foundation MSW Students  
Classes & Group Meetings: Wednesday and Thursday 9:00a.m. – 7:45p.m. Weekly  
Field Work: Monday and Tuesday 8:00a.m. – 6:00p.m. Weekly

Scheduled classes and group meetings are required. Students are responsible for the completion of 16 hours of fieldwork on Monday and Tuesday of each week. ______ (Student’s Initials).

Field Education Hours

Students in the Master of Social Work program complete a total of 1200 field education hours over four semesters. Students complete 480 field hours in the first year of internship. The second year of internship students complete 720 field education hours. The field education hours (1200 total) are at the field agency during regular business hours, which typically ranges between 8:00a.m. to 6:00p.m., Monday to Friday.

Employment

Social work field students are strongly encouraged NOT to maintain employment while in the program, as the conflict between employment and academic demands may prevent successful progress towards graduation. ______ (Student’s Initials).

Are you currently employed? [ ] Yes [ ] No  
If yes, where? __________________________ How many hours per week? __________

Students are not allowed to accept employment at their agency site while enrolled in Field Education. _____ (Student’s Initials).

Any student who accepts employment at their agency while actively enrolled in Field Education is considered to be acting unprofessionally and out of line with clearly stated publicized field requirements. As such, these students will have their field education terminated immediately and forfeit all accumulated hours for the given semester. ______ (Student’s Initials).

Any student requesting consideration of the opportunity to complete field hours in their agency/organization of employment MUST complete the appropriate request, provide the required documentation, and meet with the Director of Field for instruction before discussing this option. _____ (Student’s Initials).

Are you requesting consideration of the opportunity to complete field hours in your agency/organization of employment? [ ] Yes [ ] No
Transportation

While enrolled in Field Education, students are responsible for their own gas, insurance, and transportation to/from the agency setting, to field related events, and to client-service settings.

Students are not allowed to calculate travel time to and from the agency as part of their required field placement hours. ______ (Student's Initials).

Students who move/relocate any time during the academic year of field placement will not have their field placement setting changed due to their relocation. _____ (Student's Initials).

Driver’s License?   [   ] Yes   [   ] No

Do you have transportation?   [   ] Yes   [   ] No

If no, please describe your plans (in detail) for meeting the required days/times and various assignments related to field placement and community presentations:

Field Education Preference Profile Checklist

The purpose of this form is to give the Field Education Office an indication of the type of learning experience you are interested in during your first year of practicum. The Field Education Office will use this form as one of several factors to determine the assignment of practicum placements. Your actual practicum placement may or may not reflect the preference list below.

Areas of Practice
Choose three (3) categories that best describe your practice area of interest.

- □ Macro Practice
- □ Behavioral Health
- □ Children and Families
- □ Substance Abuse
- □ School Social Work
- □ Medical Social Work
- □ Corrections/Criminal Justice
Practice Area Skills
Choose three (3) client groups that you would work with in this practice area.

- Children
- Adolescents
- Adults
- Elderly
- Men
- Women
- Families
- No Preference
- Other (specify) ____________________

Location
Choose two (2) regions where you would prefer to be located.

- Bartow
- Cherokee
- Clayton
- Cobb
- Dekalb
- Douglas
- Fulton
- Gwinnett
- Paulding
- No Preference
- Other (specify) ____________________

Field Education Experience
NOTE: The KSU Social Work Department recognizes that students often come with various experiences for which they would like to receive academic credit. While we recognize that those experiences have contributed to your knowledge, values, and skills development as a pre-professional, as per Council on Social Work Education requirements, no student will receive academic credit for life or employment experiences outside of the academic environment. This includes the field practicum setting.

1. Briefly describe what you expect to gain from Field Instruction.
2. What are your career plans?

Are there any questions or concerns that you would like to have answered/addressed during your field interview? Yes ______ No ______

If yes, please list or describe in the space provided:

I have completed this form as accurately as possible and understand this application will be utilized to determine the Field Site to which I will be assigned for Field Education. I understand Field Supervisors/Instructors may have access to this information. I agree to the release of information from my academic file for purposes of arranging field education and for evaluating Field Education progress.

__________________________________  ____________________________________
Student’s Signature     Date

__________________________________   ____________________________________
MSW Field Education Director Signature   Date