

# Introduction to Social Work and Human Service Organizations

# **University of Regina**

## **Objectives for Innovation**

Web-based materials, audioconferencing and videotapes to augment print

### **Intended Audience**

Undergraduate students in social work and other degree programs

### **Results Achieved**

Multi-mode university-credit course
Increased access to social
work education
Flexible access for students
across the province and at
the University of Regina

### **Partners**

Saskatchewan Indian Federated College Department of Indian Social Work

### **Implementation**

January 2001

This program provides a multi-mode version of the introductory university-credit social work course. All material, including notes and article reprints, is available in print form. Audioconferencing and web-based materials provide opportunities for interaction to enhance the print package. Students communicate with each other and the instructor via private e-mail and audioconference calls. The web site provides links to related resources and videotapes focus on specific topics.

The course introduces students to various aspects of social welfare and social work practice in Saskatchewan and Canada. Topics include an introduction to Canadian social welfare, the profession of social work, social policy, service delivery systems, First Nations history and social welfare, approaches to practice, and consumer/client groups.

Web-based materials and audioconferencing help to overcome the traditional problem of inadequate communication and interaction in print-based courses.

The multi-mode format also helps to increase access to social work study and enables the Faculty of Social Work to achieve its mandate of providing courses across the province.

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