LEARNING GOALS AND OUTCOMES FOR SOWK 2272 - Human Behavior and the Social Environment

This is an introductory course that focuses on conceptual frameworks and issues in human behavior and development. It is a prerequisite for entrance into the ISU Social Work Program.

1. Learning goal: Learn theories of human behavior and the social environment (person-in-environment perspective).

Learning objective: Demonstrate knowledge of specific theories across the lifespan (tests).

2. Learning goal: Develop critical thinking skills.

Learning objective: Students will demonstrate critical thinking skills as they apply theories to a variety of behaviors and contexts (class participation, paper).

3. Learning goal: Develop personal reflection to a biopsychosocial context.

Learning objective: Demonstrate personal reflections and development of insights (paper).

4. Learning goal: To recognize how professional ethics and values and the management of personal values and biases guide effective practice.

Learning objective: To demonstrate application of ethics and values in identifying and managing personal values and biases (class participation, paper).

5. Learning goal: To learn key biological, psychological and social systems that influence human development across each age group.

Learning objective: To identify key biological, psychological and social systems that shape human development across the lifespan (tests).

6. Learning goal: To become familiar with differential effects of class, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and culture in the process of human development.

Learning objective: To identify differential effects of class, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation and identity, and culture during human development (class participation, tests).