Field Seminar Peer Facilitator Application Fall 2015

Field Seminar Peer Facilitators are part of an evolving educational experience for MSW candidates. Students that are selected to participate in this process as Peer Facilitators will be required to commit to the following:

- Co-facilitating discussions in the foundation field seminar each week, **(Tuesdays, 12:00–2:00pm)** September through December
- Attending the Peer Facilitator Transition Meeting **(Tues., April 21, 2015 12:00-2:00pm - lunch included)**
- Attending one-hour weekly meetings with an assigned Field Liaison for planning and debriefing
- Attending four two-hour meetings with the facilitation team (Peer Facilitators and Field Faculty)
- Attending the Peer Facilitator Orientation **(Tues., September 8, 2015 12:00-2:00pm - lunch included)**

Students will have a variety of responsibilities including:

- Working with OFI Field Faculty to engage students in focused activities, generative interviews, and open-ended discussions about their field placements
- Planning activities to address the educational goals of the students and the seminar curriculum
- Helping students to navigate the field instruction process
- Providing feedback on students’ field assignments/experiences
- Manage the C Tools site

Peer Facilitators will be selected based on demonstration of all or some of the following attributes:

- Experience facilitating group discussions and a desire to gain additional experience
- Problem-solving abilities
- Creative thinking skills
- Awareness of and comfort in discussing privilege, oppression, diversity and social justice (PODS)
- An understanding of and ability to convey the integration of micro and macro practice in social work
- Professionalism and maturity
- A positive participatory attitude
- An ability to take initiative and go above and beyond the stated responsibilities of a role, as well as inspire others to reach new heights

Those selected to be Peer Facilitators will be compensated in the following ways:

1. 2 academic independent study credits per term
2. An opportunity to build a relationship with an assigned Field Liaison
3. An opportunity to build relationships with future colleagues
4. Development of facilitation and leadership skills
5. Programming experience that demonstrates an application of leadership skills
6. A unique perspective and voice in the ongoing growth of the UM-SSW field experience

Applications are being accepted now through **Friday, March 20, 2015** in the Office of Field Instruction. These forms will be reviewed and candidates will be contacted to set up a 45-minute interview between **Monday, March 23 and Friday, March 27.** If selected for an interview, please bring with you a copy of your Fall 2015 class schedule, as well as your resume. Final selections will be made and the candidates will be contacted no later than **Tuesday, March 31, 2015.**

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Kelley, OFI Program Coordinator at kelleyl@umich.edu or Susan Crabb, OFI Field Faculty at swcrabb@umich.edu.

Please keep this first page for your reference.
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Name: ______________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________

Email address: _______________________    Phone number: ___________________

Curriculum Track (circle):     16-mo.    20-mo.    Adv. Standing    Expected Graduation Date: _________

Practice Method: _________ Practice Area: __________  Minor: ___________

Dual Degree: ____________________________________________________________

Current Field Placement: __________________________________________________

Current OFI Field Liaison: __________________________________________________

Please answer the following preliminary questions:

➢ Please indicate which dates and times you could interview by circling the times.
   o Monday, 3/23:        9am         10am     11am
   o Tuesday, 3/24:       3pm         4pm
   o Wednesday, 3/25:    11pm       12pm        1pm
   o Thursday, 3/26:      2pm         3pm
   o Friday, 3/27:    10am       11am

➢ If selected as a Fall 2015 Peer Facilitator, are you available to meet for the Peer Facilitator Transition Meeting with current peers on Tues, April 21, 2015 12-2pm? (lunch included)  Yes    No

➢ Are you available for the New Peer Orientation Meeting on Tues, September 8, 12:00am-2:00pm? (lunch included)  Yes    No

Please attach a typed document answering the following questions (no more than 2 pages):

1. How did you hear about the opportunity to become a Peer Facilitator?

2. Write a statement that illustrates your reasons and motivation for applying to be a Peer Facilitator.

3. Share two ways that field seminar was valuable to you. (If Advanced Standing, how was it valuable in undergrad?)

4. Please list topics on which you have facilitated discussions or presented to a large group.
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References—Please choose two of the following four options:

- A social work agency staff person or field instructor that you have worked with in the past
  - Name: __________________________________________
  - Phone: __________________________________________
  - E-mail: __________________________________________
  - Organization: _____________________________________

- A professor who can speak to your discussion/facilitation skills
  - Name: __________________________________________
  - Phone: __________________________________________
  - E-mail: __________________________________________
  - Organization: _____________________________________

- A current or former employer
  - Name: __________________________________________
  - Phone: __________________________________________
  - E-mail: __________________________________________
  - Organization: _____________________________________

- A student peer
  - Name: __________________________________________
  - Phone: __________________________________________
  - E-mail: __________________________________________
• Organization: ________________________________