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## **FIELD PLACEMENT SITE DESCRIPTIONS**

***All field placements must be arranged by the Office of Field Education. Students must not initiate contact with any agency to seek a field placement. Any field placements initiated without the knowledge of the Office of Field Education will not be approved.***

The Office of Field Education staff, students, and agency personnel collaborate in the field placement matching process. Students are referred by the Placement Assistants to interview with an agency. At which time, both field instructor/agency personnel and the student can evaluate the fit of the field placement for both.

Availability of student field placements depend upon multiple factors, including the availability of a Wayne State University approved Field Instructor, the number of students already in placement, and workspace issues. Field placement sites may have restrictions for certain degree levels (BSW or MSW) and limit the number of students at the site from year to year.

*This list is for reference use only as it describes numerous agency settings; however, it is not inclusive of all agencies used. Please remember that available options can and do change regularly.*

### **Child Welfare Interest Area**

Depending on the student curricular year, tasks may include case management, crisis intervention, therapy, groups, foster care, adoption, head start and school based educational programs, advocacy, assessment, residential services, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

Care House of Oakland County

Pontiac, MI

<http://www.carehouse.org/>

- Care House of Oakland County serves youth and families by providing prevention, intervention, and treatment pertaining to child abuse. Some of the services provided are Healthy Start for at-risk families, parenting education and supports, nurturing programs, advocacy, crisis counseling, forensic interviewing, short-term therapy, and family support groups.

Ennis Center for Children

Detroit/ Flint/ Port Huron/ Waterford, MI

[www.enniscenter.org](http://www.enniscenter.org)

- Ennis Center for Children is dedicated to serving youth between the ages of 0 and 19 years old. Some of the services provided are foster care, adoption, juvenile justice diversion and reintegration programs, and emotional and mental health services.

Windsor Regional Children's Centre

Windsor, ONTARIO

[www.wrchildrenscentre.org/rcchome/Index2.htm](http://www.wrchildrenscentre.org/rcchome/Index2.htm)

- Windsor Regional Children's Centre serves children between the ages of 6 and 12 years old. Some of the services provided are assessments, interventions, and treatment plans for autistic and



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developmentally disabled youth, a mental health center, neuropsychological services, family supports, parenting classes, and individual, group, and family therapy.

**Corrections Interest Area**

Tasks may include case management, participation in/observation of court proceedings, client education of court processes, involvement with probation and/or parole mandates, therapy, groups, educational and training programs, advocacy, assessment, housing issues, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

3rd Judicial Circuit Court of Michigan

Detroit, MI

[www.3rdcc.org](http://www.3rdcc.org)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit Court has jurisdiction over civil, criminal, and family matters arising in Wayne County; it is the largest county circuit court in Michigan. Some of the services provided are jury coordination, selection and orientation, Friend of the Court custody and visitation clarification, and client education of the court process.

Juvenile Assessment Center

Detroit, MI

[www.assuredfamilyservices.org](http://www.assuredfamilyservices.org)

- The Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC) is a centralized assessment and evaluation center for the Department of Children & Family Services of Wayne County, Michigan. The JAC is the hub of a network of five Care Management Organizations (CMO's) designed to serve all court-referred juveniles and families in Wayne County. Additionally, a county administered Juvenile Agency Information System (JAIS) ties all services together, monitors contract performance, tracks juveniles in the system, and issues reports built on its central database.

**Developmental Disability Interest Area**

Tasks may include case management, therapy, groups, guardianship assistance, life skills training, job coaching and vocational assistance, advocacy, assistance obtaining entitlements, recreational opportunities, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

ARC of Livingston, The

Howell, MI

[www.arclivingston.org](http://www.arclivingston.org)

- The ARC of Livingston strives to empower individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Some of the services provided are advocacy within schools and places of employment, assistance obtaining entitlements, knowledge and referrals to community resources, and recreational opportunities.

ARC Services of Macomb, Inc.

Clinton Township, MI

[www.arcservices.org](http://www.arcservices.org)

- ARC Services of Macomb, Inc. assists people with disabilities and their families so all can fully participate in the community. Some of the services provided are advocacy, employment and



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vocational assistance, recreational and social opportunities, and residential and community supports.

Blue Water Center for Independent Living  
Port Huron, MI

[www.bwcil.org/BWCILservices](http://www.bwcil.org/BWCILservices)

- Blue Water Center for Independent Living assists individuals with disabilities to improve their skills in order to advocate for themselves and decrease barriers associated with independent living. Some of the services provided are peer support groups, information and referrals, pre-employment training, and independent living assistance.

**Family Services Interest Area**

Tasks may include case management, Friend of the Court interactions (visitation and custody), therapy, groups, educational and training programs, advocacy, assessment, intake, housing and child care issues, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

Family Youth Interventions

Mount Clemens, MI

- Family Youth Interventions serves at-risk, neglected youth and young adults between the ages of 10 and 21 years old. Some of the services provided are residential programs during crisis situations, outpatient counseling, and supports for homeless young adults.

Family Service Windsor-Essex County

Windsor, ON

[www.familyserviceswe.ca](http://www.familyserviceswe.ca)

- Multi-service agency serving the residents of Windsor & Essex Co. Counseling program provides individual, marital/couple & family, specialized psycho-therapeutic treatment groups.

Jewish Family Services

Southfield/ West Bloomfield, MI

- Jewish Family Services offers behavioral, social, and mental health services to children, adults, and families. Some of the services provided are adoption, counseling, grief and crisis intervention, addiction recovery, case management, and an emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

**Gerontology Interest Area**

Tasks may include case management, assisting with and assessing physical, emotional, educational, social, and spiritual needs, respite care, therapy, recreational and social groups, recipient rights issues, bereavement supports, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

Bethany Villa Senior Apartments

Troy, MI

- Bethany Villa Senior Apartments is an older adult apartment complex. Some of the services provided are recreational opportunities, social activities, psych-social groups, resource development, referrals, and semi-independent living features such as transportation and meal preparation.



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Council on Aging, The  
Port Huron, MI

- The Council on Aging serves numerous community centers in the county. Some of the services provided are social and recreational activities, support groups, educational opportunities, community outreach and education, and dementia respite care.

JVS Senior Adult Services  
Southfield, MI

[www.jvsdet.org/senioradult.htm](http://www.jvsdet.org/senioradult.htm)

- JVS Senior Adult Services serves older adults interested in social and recreational activities. Some of the services provided are adult day care, dementia respite care, community outreach and education, recreational opportunities, and a mentoring program.

### **Health Care Interest Area**

*\* Health care placements are usually in a hospital setting and they are commonly reserved for Advanced Year Master of Social Work students; however, this does not prove absolute depending on the site and tasks to be performed.*

Tasks may include case management, patient discharge planning, intake, assessment, the creation/implementation of treatment plans, crisis intervention, grief counseling, community outreach, prevention education, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

Care Matters  
Ferndale, MI

<http://www.caremattersllc.com>

- Care Matters is a devoted advocate for individuals and families who are impacted by traumatic injuries, chronic conditions, disabilities, or everyday stressors. Medical Case Management/Social Work Support Services to persons catastrophically injured in motor vehicle accidents.

Karmanos Cancer Institute  
Detroit, MI

[www.karmanos.org](http://www.karmanos.org)

- Karmanos Cancer Institute is dedicated to the prevention, early detection, and eventual eradication of cancer. Some of the services provided are community outreach, prevention education, research, and comprehensive patient and family care.

Veterans Affairs Medical Center  
Ann Arbor/ Detroit, MI

<http://www.annarbor.va.gov/> or <http://www.detroit.va.gov>

- Veteran's Affairs Medical Center serves military veterans with inpatient and outpatient psychiatric facilities. Some of the services provided are research, community outreach and prevention education, counseling, and a Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder clinic.

### **Mental Health Interest Area**

Tasks may include case management, therapy, groups, community outreach, the creation/ implementation of treatment plans, crisis intervention, diagnosis tasks, intake, assessment, educational and training programs, recipient rights issues, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.



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Bulimia Anorexia Nervosa Association  
Windsor, ONTARIO  
[www.bana.ca](http://www.bana.ca)

- Bulimia Anorexia Nervosa Association assists adolescents and adults directly and indirectly affected by eating disorders. Some of the services provide are specialized treatment, education, and support services.

Community Programs, Inc.  
Waterford, MI

[www.communityprograms.org](http://www.communityprograms.org)

- Community Programs, Inc. is an outpatient and inpatient facility dedicated to serving adults with disorders involving alcohol and drugs, including mental health and related behavioral problems. Some of the services provided are detoxification, a work release program, and a partnership with district drug courts.

Detroit Central City Community Mental Health  
Detroit, MI

<http://www.dcccmh.org/>

- Detroit Central City Community Mental Health offers mental health and substance abuse treatment for youth, adults, and families. Some of the services provided are case management, ACT, emergency assistance, and home-based early-on prevention programs.

### **Public Welfare Interest Area**

Tasks may include identifying and assessing the needs of a specific population or community, prevention and restoration projects, advocacy, resource development, training, community outreach, the creation of policies and procedures, forums, fund development, community initiatives, the gathering and dissemination of research, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

### **ACCESS**

Dearborn, MI

[www.accesscommunity.org](http://www.accesscommunity.org)

- ACCESS is a human services organization committed to the development of the Arab American community, and the greater community. Some of the services provided are assisting with immigration statuses and documentation completion, employment training, translation assistance, transition counseling, and family counseling.

City of Westland

Westland, MI

<http://www.cityofwestland.com/>

- Manages federally funded programs, including community development block grants, and housing choice voucher programs. Social Work activities center on community organizing in the Norwayne subdivision & educational/job training counseling through Family Self-sufficiency.



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Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation

Detroit, MI

<http://www.grandmontrosedale.com/>

- Grassroots community org in Northwest Detroit. Involved in neighborhood revitalization which includes: housing development for sale to low/moderate income households, home repair grants and loans to area homeowners; commercial property development, etc.

**School Social Work Interest Area**

*\* School field placements are commonly reserved for Advanced Year Master of Social Work students pursuing School Social Worker approval; however, this does not prove absolute depending on the site and tasks to be performed.*

Tasks may include case management, psychological/ emotional testing, counseling, groups, crisis intervention, the creation of individual educational plans, grief counseling, community outreach, prevention education, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

Chippewa Valley Schools

Clinton Township, MI

<http://www.chippewavalleyschools.org/>

Detroit Board of Education

Detroit, MI

<http://detroitk12.org/>

East China Township School District

Saint Clair, MI

<http://www.ecsd.us/>

**Substance Abuse Interest Area**

Tasks may include case management, therapy, groups, community outreach, the creation/ implementation of treatment plans, crisis intervention, interaction with court appointed mandates, intake, assessment, and knowledge of and referrals to community resources.

C.A.R.E.

Fraser, MI

- C.A.R.E administers substance abuse referrals and assessments which are needed in order for county residents to enter a county funded substance abuse treatment facility. Some of the other services provided are education for residents in need of substance abuse treatment, prevention education, and community outreach dealing with topics such as prenatal alcohol consumption, talking to kids about drugs, and tobacco cessation.

National Council on Alcoholism

Detroit, MI

[www.ncadd-detroit.org](http://www.ncadd-detroit.org)

- National Council on Alcoholism is dedicated to improving the community through substance abuse education and treatment. Some of the services provided are community outreach and prevention education, trainings and workshops, advocacy, juvenile diversion services, and an outpatient and inpatient substance abuse treatment facility.