

## Faculty of Social Work

### Faculty of Social Work Application Process for International Field Placements

Field Placement provides student with experiential learning and professional skills building development. An international placement offers a cross-cultural experience and the potential of providing some different perspectives on social issues.

The Faculty of Social Work has affiliation agreements, from time to time, with other universities and social service agencies outside of Canada. This allows students the opportunity to do their final field placement at an international site.

An international placement may be an option for those students who have demonstrated an interest in international/cross-cultural work, are in their final year of studies, have completed all of the pre-requisites for SWRK 4120, and have a minimum GPA of 3.

Students considering an international field placement are encouraged to fairly self-evaluate the following:

- financial solvency,
- language compatibility for successfully completing a placement in the host country,
- personal health,
- knowledge about the host country and any safety risks and
- immunization requirements (out-of-pocket expense of the student),
- costs of flights and accommodations (out-of-pocket expense of the student), and
- costs of the University of Manitoba tuition fees for SWRK 4120 and SWRK 4300.

### Application Process

Students need to complete the **Field Application SWRK 4120 International Site** form which is found on the Faculty of Social Work website. This is to be completed by February 1. Once completed, the form is forwarded to the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs.

Once the form is received the following steps are then followed:

- A review of the eligibility criteria takes place. Once it is established that the criteria have been met the student will be asked to provide their resume and a Statement of Intent to the International Placement Selection Committee.
- The committee will review everything and will inform the student if an international field placement is viable. Students are welcome to apply for the Rose Kane International Practicum Scholarship.
- Students need to obtain or complete any requirements for travel and living in the host country.

- A faculty designate will be available to the student and responsible for monitoring the placement.

Students are reminded that international placements are limited to universities that have a link with the Faculty. They need to make their own arrangements for travel, accommodations, and are responsible for obtaining all required documents for travel, by the host university and immunization records.