



Welcome to the School of Social Work

We are delighted that you have chosen to work with faculty, staff and students at ASU's School of Social Work. ASU is a comprehensive, metropolitan institution of higher education. The cultural and ethnic diversity of the people of the Southwest give the School a distinctive identity. The faculty of the School of Social Work is a diverse mix of social work practitioners and scholars who are "*A committed, dedicated, and motivated faculty, many of whom are recognized scholars*" - (CSWE Accreditation Site Team, Spring 2001). They bring to the classroom years of experience from many social work settings, including schools, child welfare, health, mental health, senior services, homeless services, community practice, and legislative advocacy.

The ASU *School of Social Work BSW Student Handbook* contains relevant academic and student related policies, procedures, and guidelines. This handbook plus the materials you have received from the Office of Academic Services and Business Operations will help answer most of your questions. However, policies are continually evolving and, as such, it is essential that you check with either the Program Coordinator, Associate Director, or Academic Services before taking any action you may be uncertain of.

We are excited to be part of the Phoenix Downtown Campus as this location gives the many agencies we work with easier access to the School and will open new opportunities for field placements and collaborative work as the campus and the downtown area grow.

ASU is committed to accessible and outstanding undergraduate and graduate programs, to research of the highest social and economic significance and to service and creative activities that serve the welfare of the people of the State and the Nation. Again, welcome to the School of Social Work at the ASU Downtown Phoenix Campus

Sincerely,

Mary Gillmore, PhD
Director