Faculty Council on *Academic* Affairs Curricular Cleanup 2009

Form for Streamlining pre-2008 Courses Through Full Governance

Email completed form and most current syllabus to: Sabrina Guth <s-guth1@neiu.edu>. Also print completed form, collect departmental signatures, and mail to Sabrina in the Faculty Senate Office. This form is only valid for use through 10/15 2009 and only may be used for pre-2008 courses that have not been reviewed through full governance.

Current Course:

SWK ***360C*** ***Social Work and the Law***

dept prefix ***number*** ***course title*** ***credit hrs***

Proposed Course *(must be same level and have same credit hours)***:**

SWK **302** ***Social Work and the Law***

dept prefix ***number*** ***course title***

Abbreviated Course Title *(29 character limit if full title is longer)***:**

SWK **302** ***Social Work and the Law***

How many times has course been taught in the last 5 years? **#2**

Ave. weekly contact hrs: **#3** Is this course repeatable? **YES** **NO** Required for the major? **YES** **NO**

Is course restricted by student level, major, or counts for graduate credit, etc.? **YES** **NO**

If yes, explain: FOR MAJORS AND MINORS ONLY, THIS MEETS THE REQUIREMENT FOR ONE VALUES AND KNOWLEDGE SOCIAL WORK ELECTIVE

Categories *(check all that apply; default categories are checked for Academic Affairs purposes)*:

__x__ *Discussion* *Discussion*
_____ *Field Experience*
___ *Hybrid*
_____ *Independ. Study*
_____ *Internship*
____ *Lab*
__√__ *Lecture*
____ *Master's Project*
___ *Online*
____ *Practicum*
____ *Practice Teaching*
____ *Studio*
____ *Self Study*
____ *Student Teaching*
____ *Thesis Seminar*
__ *Tutored Study*
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Course Description *(to appear in the Academic Catalog; 100 word limit)*:

This course will introduce and provide a basic understanding to the social work student of the law, legal processes, and legal systems as they relate to social work fields' of practice. This course will challenge students to consider and begin to understand how the fields of social work and law intersect. They will develop an understanding of how the practice of social work is continually influenced and, often times regulated, by legislative and judicial decisions. The student will begin to explore how to advocate within the legal system on behalf of the populations that they serve.

Prerequisite(s): SWK 200

Provide short paragraph narrative explanation of the origins of the course and its significance to the program:

The course was developed by one of our previous core faculty members and serves as an important part of generalist social work practice. Students will need to understand the underpinnings of legal issues which impact individuals, groups, families and communities. Students will listen to guest speakers with social workers experts on social work legal issues.

Signatures:

Chair/Coordinator *date* | *FCAA Chair* *date*

2nd Departmental Faculty Member *date* *Provost*