

Mandatory Competency Assessments

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14. Competency Assessments

The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) accredits MSW programs and requires the School to demonstrate that students have met the competencies set forth in the curriculum. In order to assess if students have met the specified competencies, most core courses have assessment assignments. These particular assignments are a regular part of the coursework. In addition, they are used to assess if students have mastered the identified competencies measured in that course. Thus, in addition to regular grading of all assignments and entering the students' course grades, instructors in the designated courses must also enter students' competency ratings. Completing the competency ratings is specified in contracts and is mandatory. Different courses assess different competencies, and sequence chairs can provide guidance for entering competency assessments.