

FORM B

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAM
PROGRAM PROPOSAL**

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Academic Unit: 3	Date of Submission to School Dean:
Requested Effective: Fall 2007 , Spring 2007	
Name of Contact Person, if not Department Chair: Dr. Dale Russell, Undergraduate Program Coordinator	
Title of the Program: Division of Social Work, Baccalaureate Program	
Type of Program Proposal: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modification in Existing Program: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substantive Change <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Substantive Change <input type="checkbox"/> Deletion of Existing Program <input type="checkbox"/> New Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Initiation (Projection) of New Program on to Master Plan <input type="checkbox"/> New Degree Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Process <input type="checkbox"/> Fast Track Process <input type="checkbox"/> Pilot Process <input type="checkbox"/> New Minor, Concentration, Option, Specialization, Emphasis <input type="checkbox"/> New Certificate Program	
PLEASE NOTE: Form B is to be used only as a Cover Form. Additional information is requested for each of the above as noted in the corresponding procedure in the Policies and Procedures for Initiation, Modification, Review and Approval of Courses and Academic Programs found at http://www.csus.edu/acad/univmanual/index.htm	

Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification.

The proposed program change would be adding a needed course, Introduction to Social Work to the Bachelor of Social Work curriculum. Currently, the Division of Social Work at California State University is one of the few programs (less than 5% of accredited BSW programs do not offer an introductory course) that does not offer in introductory course. This course will be offered as both a GE course and will be considered a requisite for those who intend to declare social work as their major. Currently, the BSW program has no way of offering a bridge course to help students make an informed decision before they declare social work a major. This course not only aids students in their decision-making but also assists social work faculty in early recruitment, ultimate retention and preparation of social work majors.

This course aims to assist students to: promote knowledge about the nature of social work practice including its underlying assumptions, values, ethics, roles and activities; promote basic understanding about generalist practice; promote understanding some of the differences between conventional and progressive approaches to social work; to promote understanding more about themselves in regard to social work; to promote some familiarity with the work of social workers in the community.

The proposed change does not increase the total number of units needed to graduate from the social work program, the required number of units remains at 48.

Approvals:

Department Chair: _____

Date: 3/23/07

School Dean: _____

Date: 03/26/07

University Committee: _____

Date: _____

Associate Vice President and Dean
for Academic Affairs: _____

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APPROVAL

Date: 5/9/07

