



# Social Work Field Education

## Signature Pedagogy E-Newsletter



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**We hold in our hands the power to shape not only our own but the nation's future —**  
**Dr. Dorothy I. Height.** A salute to Social Work Change Agents, York Social Work Advisory Board, Sexual Harassment presentation.

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The Social Work Field Education Office salutes Field Education Supervisors for their unwavering dedication to our students, the program and the profession. The National Association of Social Workers' theme in celebration of Social Work Month for March 2011 is "Social Workers Change Futures." There is an estimated 35 participating social work field change agents in our field education program. Students receive diverse and enriching practicum opportunities, supervision and mentoring from experienced administrators, clinical practitioners, community activists, educators, program developers, researchers and trainers (Review full article printed in the York Academic Affairs Update April 2011 Issue).

During the March 2011 Advisory Board meeting, members discussed several trends in the field consistent with The York College Social Work Program Mission, *with a particular emphasis on serving diverse urban populations in the global context.* Conversations included raising awareness about resources for those identifying as Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBT) who experience violence, incarceration of multiple generations of families, mental health and wellness associated with domestic and global catastrophes and combat. Dialogue also included ethical accountability in response to social networking and unintended consequences of licensing legislation.

On May 11, 2011, Dr. Michele Gregory, member of York College Sexual Harassment Committee, provided an overview of sexual harassment to 25 students at the student orientation meeting. Dr. Gregory provided an orientation about sexual harassment policies (quid pro quo and hostile work environment). York's policy on sexual harassment was also explained. The City University of New York Sexual Harassment policy can be found at: [http://portal.cuny.edu/cms/id/cuny/documents/level\\_3\\_page/001178.htm](http://portal.cuny.edu/cms/id/cuny/documents/level_3_page/001178.htm)

A special thanks to the York College Auxiliary Enterprises program for funding the field education brunches, and to Isabelle Hubert, CUNY Office Assistant 2, for her continued administrative support.

In the spirit of collective work,  
*Dr. S.T. Rodgers*

The Social Work Field Education E-Newsletter was established in December 2010 to share relevant information about field education, the Program, and trends in the Profession. The E-Newsletter is issued bi-annually to the cadre of seasoned social workers who are the heart of York field education program.

## Alumni Corner

Jewel Dey, 11' is the recipient of the 2011 Vera Douthit Memorial Award for Community Services, and was accepted to SUNY Buffalo's MSW program.

Rossette Turney 07' earned her MSW from Adelphi University in 2008. She passed her New York State Social Work Licensing Exam in April 2011.

Judean Walters 10' was accepted to Yeshiva and Hunter advanced standing MSW programs. She will begin her Graduate studies in Fall 2011.

## Social Work Resources

Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2010-2011 Edition:  
<http://w.bis.gov/oco/ocos060.htm>

Center for Clinical Social Work: <http://www.centercsw.org>


Council on Social Work Education <http://www.csew.org>

Dorothy I. Height and Whitney M. Young, Jr. Social Work Reinvestment Act:  
<http://www.socialworkreinvestment.org/SWRA/>

National Association of Social Workers:  
<http://www.socialworkers.org>

## The Dorothy I. Height and Whitney M. Young, Jr. Social Work Reinvestment Act

On March 15, 2011, World Social Work day, the Dorothy I. Height and Whitney M. Young, Jr. Social Work Reinvestment Act (HR 1106/S. 584) was reintroduced by Congressman Ed Towns and Senator Barbara Mikulski. *The Act would establish the Social Work Reinvestment Commission to advise Congress and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on policy issues associated with the profession of social work, to authorize the Secretary to make grants to support recruitment, retention, research, and reinvestment in the profession.*

Important Dates	Fall 2011 Schedule
	05/11 ~ Student orientation for 1st year practicum students
	05/15 ~ 1st year placements assigned
	05/18 ~ Spring 2011 semester ends
	08/26 ~ Fall 2011 begins
	09/14 ~ 1st Group Meeting with Field Faculty & Orientation for <u>First Time</u> York College Supervisors (ONLY for those supervisors who are supervising social work students for the first time) 9:30 - 11:30 (Room 3A10)
	10/19 ~ 2nd Group Meeting with Field Faculty for ALL supervisors 9:30 - 11:30 (Room 3A10)
	11/16 ~ 3rd Group Meeting with Field Faculty – for ALL supervisors 9:30 - 11:30 (Room 3A10)

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