

**Nebraska Wesleyan University**

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## **SOCWK 5100 Privilege and Oppression**

3 hours

**Majors (Grad)**

Social Work (M.S.W.)

**Departments/Programs:**

Social Work (Graduate)

In this generalist course, students will identify mechanisms of oppression and discrimination and forms of power and privilege embedded within the history of the United States. By understanding our country's social, economic, and political history through the lens of oppression, discrimination, power and privilege, students will increase their awareness of how these mechanisms have personally, culturally and historically impacted individuals, groups, families, organizations and communities in the United States. By means of self and collective reflection, students will evaluate and regulate their own biases and values as learners and will learn to uphold their professional obligation to engage with diverse clients and constituencies as the experts in their own lives.