



OSHKI-WENJACK

OSHKI-PIMACHE-O-WIN
THE WENJACK EDUCATION INSTITUTE

Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) Degree Program



Make A Difference, Choose Social Work!

In partnership with Algoma University, OSHKI-WENJACK provides an accelerated, 2.3-year Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) degree program for students who already hold a college diploma with a minimum G.P.A. of 3.0. Our unique cultural and community-based program offers a blended delivery model that enables students to stay within their home community for most of the program. Students will attend in-person, intensive blocks of learning on our Thunder Bay campus and online evening learning from their home communities. Our instructors are committed to a hands-on learning experience and an interactive learning environment. This B.S.W. program focuses on multi-cultural social work in and with northern, rural, remote, Indigenous, and Franco-Ontarian communities. Our program advocates for social justice and equips students with the intellectual, practical, and professional skills needed to promote the individual and collective well-being of individuals, families, groups, and communities. Field practicums provide hands-on experience in a variety of settings. Upon successfully completing the degree, graduates are eligible for registration with the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers. They will be prepared to practice generalist, anti-oppressive social work at the entry level with diverse populations in a Canadian context.

Algoma
UNIVERSITY

School of Social Work



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Courses:

First Semester

SWRK 1006	Introduction to Social Welfare in the North
SWRK 2106	Political Economy of Social Welfare
SWRK 2107	Human Services Organizations

Total Credits: 9/Total Hours: 108

Second Semester

SWRK 2127	Introduction to Social Work Research
SWRK 2406	Human Behaviour in the Social Environment
SWRK 3596	Social Work Philosophy and Ethics
SOCI 1016	Understanding Society I: Principles and Processes

Total Credits: 12/Total Hours: 144

Third Semester

SWRK 3206	Critical Social Work Practice: Anishinaabe, Structural, and Feminist Perspectives
SOCI 2006	The Child and Society
SWRK 3817	Contemporary Issues in Aging
OJIB 1016	Introductory Anishnaabemowin I

Total Credits: 12/Total Hours: 144

Fourth Semester

SWRK 3207	Critical Social Policy in the North
SWRK 3006	Anti-Racism in Social Work
SWRK 3456	Social Work Research and Program Evaluation
SOCI 3806	Social Theories of Illness and Addictions

Total Credits: 12/Total Hours: 144

NOTES: Exact number of credits to be taken depends on transfer credits granted. Sequence of and courses subject to change.

Fifth Semester

ANII 3456	Anishinaabe Culture in Practice I
SWRK 4006	Critical Mental Health and Madness
SOCI 2007	Adolescence and Society
ANII 1206	Anishinaabe Peoples and Our Homelands II

Total Credits: 12/Total Hours: 144

Sixth Semester

SWRK 4207	Mino-Wiichiitiwin: Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families, and Groups
ANII 3906	Special Topics in Anishinaabe Studies I
SWRK 4506	Social Work and Substance Abuse

Total Credits: 9/Total Hours: 108

Seventh Semester

SWRK 4605	Field Practicum II (6 credit, 350-hr block placement)
SWRK 4596	Integrative Field Seminar (3 credit)

Total Credits: 9/Total Hours: 108

Career Possibilities:

Mental Health Worker, Indigenous Rights Advocate, Indigenous Counsellor, Care Coordinator/Case Worker, Social Planner, Indigenous Outreach Worker, Community Developer, Family Services Worker, Community Worker, Policy Analyst/Advisor, Program Administrator, Employment Advisor, School/Medical Social Worker, etc.

Admission:

Must have an overall average of 70% (3.0 G.P.A.). With a G.P.A. of 3.3, for a 3-year diploma, students could earn up to 60 transfer credits.

Graduates of the Social Service Worker (Indigenous Specialization) and Indigenous Wellness and Addictions Prevention Diploma Programs are preferred. Other diploma holders from similar programs are encouraged to apply.

7 Semesters:

- 2.3 Years (Fall, Winter, & Spring/Summer semesters)
- Field Practicum
- Typical Semester: 2 weeks on campus, 10 weeks online.

Practicum Requirements:

Most agencies require a current Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC).

Are You Looking for a New Pathway?

Oshki-Wenjack provides college, university, trades, and micro-credential programs to Nishnawbe Aski Nation and other learners in a safe, inclusive, supportive, and culturally enriched learning environment. Most programs blend some in-person learning in Thunder Bay with more online learning in your home community. Personalized supports help improve student learning – and student success.

The Oshki-Wenjack campus is in Thunder Bay, Ontario. The campus includes a cultural room, kitchen amenities, a computer lab, and a student lounge. It is centrally located in the downtown south core of Fort William Business District and is close to bus transportation.

For information, please contact our Recruitment Office:

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