



School of Social Work

BSW U1 students are required to have a field experience of 4 hours a week during the winter term. The list of agencies and assignments may vary each year and is updated annually. Students are requested not to call agencies directly but to adhere to the matching process set up.

U1 FIELD PLACEMENTS commencing JANUARY 2011

ASSOCIATION QUEBEC PERSONNES APHASIQUE (AQPA) :	Darla Orchard
APHASIC SOCIETY	
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The AQPA is an association that works with individuals who are aphasic (inability to speak) and their families. (Aphasia is generally caused by a stroke.) The social work students will be placed with the English Chapter of the Aphasic Society. The objectives of the association is to provide people with aphasia new forms of activities that enable them to lead active lives, provide information on services and resources and help in social integration. The social work student will observe and possibly co-facilitate a group of aphasic individuals. The student may also take part in the training given to volunteers.

TIME: Monday 9:30 am – 1:00 pm or Thursday 12:30 – 4:30 pm

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

AUBERGE TRANSITIONS	Catherine Flegel
NDG	514-481-0495

Auberge Transitions is a women’s shelter which offers shelter, information, counselling and follow up services to women with or without children of all cultures and backgrounds who have experienced conjugal violence.

The social work student could be involved in the following:

- Individual and group counselling
- Accompaniment to different resources in the community
- Knowledge and use of clinical tools
- Crisis calls and referrals
- Maintaining the functioning of the home i.e. answering the door
- Sensitization in the community

TIME: flexible

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

AVATIL
(Apprendissage à la vie autonomé, Toward Independent Living)
387, 40th Ave. Lachine H8T 2E7

Carmella De Lisi & Kourtney
Brooks
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AVATIL is a community based organization providing services to adolescents and adults with a mild to borderline intellectual handicap. AVATIL provides residential, vocational and social development services as well as practical assistance and group counselling. A social work student would be involved in one of the following assignments:

1. **Monday 4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. Co-animating 2 separate Discussion and Social groups –**
 - Co-animating an adolescent discussion group from 4:00 – 6:00 P.M.
 - Co- animating an adult “Grad” group for individuals living in the community from 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.Responsibilities include co-leading the groups, researching some topics and possibly leading 1-2 sessions.
2. **Tuesdays 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.**
 - Participation in the Transitional Living program which consists of a cooking program and a life skills group.
 - The last Tuesday of each month a shared supper is held instead of this program. This consists of approximately 60 clients within the organization.

REQUIREMENTS: French not required. All activities in the placement involve working with groups of clients.

BATSHAW YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTRES
6 Weredale Park, Montreal H3Z 1Y5

Wendy Barnett
514-989-1885 ex. 1214

Batshaw Youth and Family Centres deliver services mandated by the Youth Protection, Youth Criminal Justice and Health and Social Services Acts.

The social work student will be involved in the Parent Effectiveness Training Program. The student will be observing and possibly co-facilitating.

The program is a family-centred parenting approach based on mutual respect between the parent and child. Sessions include developmental milestones of a toddler, discipline strategies, self-esteem and acknowledging a toddler's feelings. This course is also brings hands on approach such as child's play, motor skills and positive relationships. Sessions on the impact of abuse and conjugal violence are key components which have been integrated into the program.

TIME: Monday evenings (4 - 8:00 PM)

REQUIREMENTS: French not required, but an asset. Maturity important as student will be working with parents.

THE BENEDICT LABRE HOUSE
308 Young Street, Montreal, QC H3C 2G2

Kat Gray and Karine Projean
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The Benedict Labre House is a day centre for homeless individuals. The mission is to provide essential services, food, clothes and a sense of belonging to those in need. Services are provided to both men and women. Many of the clients have addiction problems as well as emotional and psychiatric problems.

The student may be helping in the current programs and services, including the clothing room, serving meals, helping in the office. Tasks may include active listening, referral to other organizations, problem solving and helping clients to fill government forms. The student will be part of the therapy centre. The social work student will begin to understand the issues and problems of the homeless community and get some beginning experience in active listening.

TIME: Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday

REQUIREMENTS: Functional French, 50% French spoken

CENTRE HENRI BRADET
6465 Chester Avenue, Montreal

Francine Cytrynbaum
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Centre Henri Bradet is a community day program that provides preventative and therapeutic activities for seniors living at home who have lost some autonomy whether physical, cognitive or psychosocial. Daily programming includes cognitive, educational, therapeutic and leisure activities as well as music and art therapy, exercise and discussion groups.

The social work student may be involved in the following:

- Participate and assist in leading groups and activities
- Interact and build relationships with clients individually
- Observe Day Centre activities and groups.

TIME: Flexible

REQUIREMENTS: French not required.

CHAMBRECLERC
2060 Clark # 99, Montreal. QC

Isabelle Leduc
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Chambreclerc is a non-profit housing corporation which offers 41 single room units located in 3 buildings to individuals who are homeless and struggling with mental illness and/or substance abuse. The goal is to improve housing stability through different actions and interventions whether individual or collective: these include active listening and support, referrals and accompaniment, conflict resolution, crisis intervention, social activities and outings, tenant meetings, community meals and collective kitchens, etc. Students can be involved in organizing and carrying out community activities as well as in one-on-one interventions with specific tenants depending on their needs.

TIME: Flexible

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

COMITE D'ACTION 6-12 – Projet Les Ateliers Boîte à Lunch
CLSC NDG
5800 Cavendish

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This project is a joint endeavour of various community organizations in NDG including CLSC NDG. The Boîte à Lunch project works with immigrant children within the elementary school system. As part of this project, the social work student will help develop and animate a series of “cafés rencontres” for families. The cafés rencontres will touch on different food, food culture and nutrition topics. They will take place in French to allow parents an opportunity to practice French. They will be offered in a community centre.

The social work student will:

- Develop ideas and themes for the series of workshops
- Help with recruitment of participants for the project
- Help facilitate the series of cafés
- Communicate with childcare supervisors and snack supervisors
- Communicate with and work closely with Boite à Lunch coordinator and guest facilitators to ensure a cohesive series of activities
- Direct participants to pertinent resources in the community

TIME: Negotiable, evening availability

REQUIREMENTS: Bilingual

ASSIGNMENT: The Caregiver Support Centre - Drop-in Centre and Home Stimulation Centre is part of the interdisciplinary team of the Home Care Department at the CLSC. It offers respite to caregivers experiencing stress, related to responsibilities of caring for a disabled senior or adult family member at home. Trained staff, students, and volunteers provide various stimulating activities to the participants in a safe environment. They aim at maintaining the participant at the optimal levels of functioning. Participants are seniors or adults suffering from a physical, mental, speech, cognitive or sensory impairment. They may have had a stroke, be visually handicapped, suffer from Parkinson's, Alzheimer's or any other neurological disorder.

Student responsibilities may include assisting with planning activities, animating programs, shadowing participants who need one-to-one attention, offering support and reassurance to participants and caregivers, and participating in community outreach.

TIME: Negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

DESTA BLACK YOUTH NETWORK
1950 St. Antoine West

514-932-7597

DESTA is an outreach mission to young adults (18-25) in the Black community, to strengthen personal and cultural identity, to empower vision, self-esteem and excellence and to ensure that all young adults have access to the resources and support they need to develop their full potential.

TIME:

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

DOUGLAS HOSPITAL
7105 boul. Lasalle, Verdun (Pavillon l'Etape)

Melanie Caille
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Douglas Hospital is a large psychiatric hospital center.

ASSIGNMENT: Working on the Clinique externe des troubles psychotique team, the student will begin psychosocial evaluations of patients and learn to understand and use the various forms necessary in work with patients (i.e. access committee, welfare, etc.)

TIME: Negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: Bilingual

Friends for Mental Health is a non-profit community organization that provides families and friends with the support, information and education they need to help them cope with a loved one's mental illness. The organization guides families towards new paths in learning to live with mental illness - listens and counsels, provides information and referrals, offers self-help and respite, and promotes public awareness. Friends for Mental Health mainly serves the population living on the territory of the West Island Health and Social Services Centre.

The student will be involved in the following:

- assist counsellor with preparation and delivery of support groups (psychosis) for families.
- attend with counsellor psychiatric ward of Lakeshore General Hospital to help families (education, referrals, etc.)

TIME: Wednesdays 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

REQUIREMENTS: French spoken necessary

HEBREW FOUNDATION DAY SCHOOL
2 Hope Drive, Dollard Des Ormaux H9A 2V5

Corrie Sirota
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Hebrew Foundation Day School is an elementary school in the West Island. A placement is available within the student support services.

The U1 social work student will be required to work with the student population creating and leading and/or co-leading social and recreational groups for children who might benefit from increased social skill development. Depending on the particular needs at the time, the U1 student may be asked to work 1-on-1 with students who require extra attention. Facilitation of Leadership training and/or peer mediation groups may be available as well.

TIME: Ideally twice per week hours between 11:45 and 1:30 which are student lunch hours. (not Fridays)

REQUIREMENTS: Conversational French

HOPITAL LOUIS-HIPPOLYTE LAFONTAINE
7401 rue Hochelaga

Christiane Jalbert
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L'Hôpital Louis H. – Lafontaine rend accessible des soins, des services spécialisés en santé mentale. Les possibilité de lieux de stage sont diversifiées:

- programme des troubles psychotique
- volet premiers épisodes
- volet troubles psychotiques prolongés
- volet troubles psychotiques complexes et résistants
- volet intervention PACT
- programme des troubles relationnels et de la

TIME: negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: Bilingual

ASSIGNMENT: The JEM workshop is an adapted work centre for adults with intellectual and/or emotional disabilities. This adapted work centre provides employment to more than eighty intellectually and/ or physically challenged individuals.

The U1 student would be required to be on the factory floor and interact with the employees while they work. The student will be expected to report any behaviors that seem out of the ordinary, observe if any employees seem in crisis and report this to the social counselors. The U1 student will also be involved in the lunch time program should this coincide with their hours.

TIME: Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

MAB – MacKAY REHABILITATION CENTRE
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ASSIGNMENT: The MAB –MacKay Rehabilitation Centre’s clients include children and youth with motor impairments or communication disorders, and people of all ages who are deaf, hard-of-hearing or who have a visual impairment. Two separate placement opportunities are available.

1. **Vision Impairment Program for Seniors & Dual Sensorial Impairment Program for Seniors & Adults**

This placement would provide a U1 student with the opportunity to begin practicing social work skills with adults and seniors who have a visual impairment, or a combination of hearing and visual impairments. The student would receive an orientation to vision and hearing impairments and to MAB-MacKay rehabilitation programs and the services they provide. The student would then follow several clients through their rehabilitation path and continue to meet with them on a regular basis to provide supportive contact.

TIME: Negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

2. **Communication Disorders Program and Rehabilitation in Specialized School**

This placement involves work with parents of the children in specialized schools who are clients.

TIME: Monday, Wednesday or Thursday

REQUIREMENTS: Conversational French required

MADA Community Centre is a non profit charitable organization operating in the Jewish community. It provides to those in need many social and crisis services and basic necessities. MADA also has a kosher soup kitchen and food bank.

The social work student would work alongside the social service team. The social work student could be involved in the following:

- Afterschool program
- Supper program for adults
- Social group programming – i.e. planning and facilitating various discussion groups around topics of interest

TIME: Negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

MONTREAL ASSAULT PREVENTION CENTRE
4617 St. Denis Montreal,

David Singleton
514-284-1212

The Montreal Assault Prevention Program offers assault prevention programs for children, teens, girls, women and people with intellectual disabilities. Information sessions, referral services, workshops and self defence courses are offered for teen age girls and women. The student placed in this organization will:

- Follow part of the training for CAP. (Child Assault prevention)
 - o have training in the history and philosophy of the Centre and learn their approach to prevention and the services offered.
 - o learn parts of the text in particular the role plays and possibly participate in school workshops
- Observe CAP workshops for parents or staff at the school. These workshops are organized in the evenings.
- Attend staff or team meetings and activities organized by the Centre
- If a female student, take an Action course offered by the Centre (women's self defence course)

TIME: Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday (day time)
Occasional evening availability for parents workshop.

REQUIREMENTS: Functionally bilingual

MOUNTAIN SIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTRE
7802 Mountain Sights

Liza Novak
514-737-4644

ASSIGNMENT: Centre Communautaire Mountain Sights (Mountain Sights Community Centre) was established to provide social services to Mountain Sights residents in the Cote des Neiges district. The community centre serves a largely immigrant population, living on low income, geographically isolated from services and very multicultural.

The social work student will work to promote integration of low-income immigrant families. The student will be involved in the following activities: assist families, mostly immigrants, in helping their children succeed in school through helping in the homework program; some reception and referral work; and special activities with children or adults. The student will be part of a team working from the Pavilion in de la Savane Park.

TIME: Flexible Monday to Thursday 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

REQUIREMENTS: Ability to converse in French. Mature, self motivated, interested in working with immigrant communities. Has some community service experience.

NDG COMMUNITY COUNCIL
5964 Notre Dame de Grace # 204

Leslie Bagg
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The NDG Community Council is a grass roots citizen based organization which enables people of diverse cultural and socio-economic backgrounds to work together to improve the quality of life in NDG. The student placed here would be involved in the following:

- Creating information and referral sheets
- Preparing a workshop on information and referral
- Learn about community resources in the NDG area and providing this information to the public
- Help organize annual tax clinic

TIME: Negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: Conversational French ability.

The NDG Food Depot is a community based organization in the NDG area that works with issues around food security. The goals are: to improve access to healthy and affordable food, to help users deal with issues surrounding and contributing to poverty and to sensitize the public that poverty and hunger exist.

The social work student could be involved in one of these projects:

- 1) As part of a joint program offered at the NDG Senior Citizen's Council, assist with a drop-in centre for low income people 50 years and over held each Monday during the day. Activities may include: listening and active support, finding needed community resources, helping with internet teaching, helping with the cooking group, etc. This involves direct interaction with clients.

OR

- 2) Opportunities will exist to interact over the phone with home delivery clients and offer a listening ear. This involves talking with clients who need emergency food help but are unable to come to the Depot. Help is needed with preparation of baskets for home delivery and distribution of baskets and general support of Depot activities.

TIME: Option 1 – Monday daytime
Option 2 - Tuesday daytime

REQUIREMENTS: minimal French (10%). Non judgmental, patient, friendly, outgoing, creative thinker, computer skills

The NDG Senior Citizens' Council is an organization dedicated to improving the quality of life of older adults in NDG and Montreal West. Programs and services consist of home support, social action, advocacy, information and referral and various recreational programs. The student would be involved in the day program and be involved in the following activities:

- Help set up room for day program
- Welcome and assist seniors as they arrive
- Chat with individual seniors and get an idea of how they are living and get to know some of their history
- Report to field supervisor any unusual behavioral situations
- Help serve and clean up snacks
- Take part in the activities of the day
- Shadow field supervisor
- Take part in end of day meeting

TIME: Wednesday or Thursdays

REQUIREMENTS: some artistic flair – an asset to organize one craft project or activity. No French required.

PAVILLON MARGUERITE de CHAMPLAIN
South Shore region – Greenfield Park

Deborah or Lien Lu
450-656-1946

ASSIGNMENT: Pavillon Marguerite de Champlain is a woman's shelter that offers a structured community setting for women and their children who are experiencing conjugal violence. The shelter offers both a Residential and External Services program.

The social work student will be involved in observing and perhaps co-facilitating a group. Depending on the student's interest, the student can get involved in intake, working with the children, meetings, etc. A training session on feminist intervention will also take place.

TIME: Tuesday evening from either 5:00 – 9:00 PM or 6:00 -10:00 PM.

REQUIREMENTS: Bilingual

PROJETS AUTOCHTONES du QUEBEC / QUEBEC NATIVE PROJECT
90 de la Gauchetiere Est.

Claudine Corbeil
514-879-3310

Projets Autochtones du Quebec (PAQ) is a non profit organization whose goal is to offer services and lodging to people of First Nations, Métis and Inuit from Quebec. There is a range of services offered which includes: free hosting for homeless and vulnerable people (mental health, crisis, intoxication and drug issues) and culturally appropriate care.

The social work student would assist workers during the evening in the food distribution, with specific client encounters geared toward problems, needs assessments and referrals, as well as planning and delivering evening workshops and activities.

TIME: Monday, Wednesday or Friday evenings 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

REQUIREMENTS: Bilingualism is ideal, but not necessary

PROJECT GENESIS
4735 Cote Ste. Catherine Road
Montreal H3W 1M1

Cathy Inouye
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cathy@genese.qc.ca

ASSIGNMENT: Project Genesis is a community-based organization working on issues facing the multi-ethnic community of Côte-des-Neiges. The social work student would be involved in the outreach program. This involves door-knocking and distributing information to tenants about their housing rights.

TIME: Thursday afternoon

REQUIREMENTS: Bilingual (English & French) required. Any other language an asset.

SAINT COLUMBA HOUSE
2365 Grand Trunk

Patricia Lisson
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Saint Columba House is a community organization located in Point St. Charles offering a wide range of services and supports to low income residents. Saint Columba House is engaged in seeking justice through empowerment, education and social action. Programs and services include: a preschool head-start program with parental involvement, an after-school program for 6-12 year olds, a day program for intellectually handicapped adults, a teen program, a welfare rights committee, a lunch program, an afterschool homework program and participation in a wide range of community actions and campaigns to address the root causes of poverty and exclusion. The social work student could get involved in any of the projects depending on his/her interests.

TIME: negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: French not required, but an asset

SHRINERS HOSPITAL (for Children)
1529 Cedar Ave.

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Shriners Hospitals for Children is a health care system dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing specialty paediatric care. Children up to the age of 18 with orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate are eligible for admission and receive all care in a family-centred environment.

The social work student will have the opportunity to observe / participate in the following:

- Conferences, journal clubs, committee meetings (if student is available and if appropriate)
- Student will be able to observe various interdisciplinary clinics (osteogenesis imperfect, cerebral palsy, prosthetic, metabolic, orthopaedic, spina bifida)
- Hands on interactions with patients and their families in waiting room area
- Observation in various departments within hospital (physio, occupational therapy, child life)

TIME: Student must have a flexible weekly schedule in order to fully benefit from the above activities. Schedule will need to be broken down into appropriate time slots for student to have access to various interventions and involvement.

REQUIREMENTS: Fully bilingual

SUN YOUTH ORGANIZATION
4251 Saint-Urbain

Ann St. Arnaud
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ann@sunyouthorg.com

Sun Youth Organization is a community centre which offers a wide array of services through education, awareness and assistance. The organization serves youths, seniors, low income individuals or families and person's with special needs.

The student will help out in the emergency services department with the clientele. This will include phone calls, food delivery, financial evaluation, client services, etc.

TIME: Thursday mornings

REQUIREMENTS: Ability to speak in French. Ability to speak Russian is an asset.

WELCOME HALL MISSION
4755 Acorn, Montreal, QC H4C 3L6

Tanya Togias
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Welcome Hall Mission offers many services to the needy of Montreal. The mission statement "is always to extend a warm welcome to everyone who comes through the door". The social work student will be placed in the Family Services department. This department serves families on low income. These clients could be on welfare, pensions, new immigrants or those who work, but cannot make ends meet. The student's primary tasks will be opening and updating client files, explaining the services, doing referrals, etc. The organization would like the student to organize information sessions on topics such as nutrition, hygiene etc.

TIME: Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

REQUIREMENTS: Functionally bilingual, a third language especially Spanish would be an asset

WEST MONTREAL READAPTATION CENTRE
8000 Notre Dame West , Lachine H8R 1H2

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West Montreal Readaptation Centre (WMRC) provides readaptation, social integration participation and specialized services to individuals living with an intellectual disability and/or pervasive developmental disorder. WMRC provides lifespan services, offering services to children, adolescents and adults as well as support to their families. Students would work with WMRC's client population as well as collaboration with the agency's staff and transdisciplinary team.

There are several different opportunities available for social work students, for example:

- placed at The Centre for the Arts and Human Development Program at Concordia University (clients are from WMRC)
- To work with the MOM'S project (intellectually disabled mothers) - Parenting program.

TIME: negotiable

REQUIREMENTS: French not required

WEST MONTREAL READAPTATION CENTRE @ McGill University Heather Hanks
Campus
McGill University campus **514-398-5348**

The West Montreal Readaptation Centre "On Campus Program" provides adults with an intellectual handicap an opportunity to participate in a variety of university-based activities while being supported by a network of students. The role of the social work student will be to provide support as a "friend", job coach, and/or be an advocate, to an intellectually handicapped adult while they are involved in an activity at McGill. Important aspects will be working with the individual around social skills and appropriate behaviour.

TIME: To be negotiated - Based on students' availability and the activities that a student will be involved with.

REQUIREMENTS: French not required. Student needs to be independent and firm.

THE YELLOW DOOR
3625 Aylmer

Pietro Bozzo
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Under the supervision of the Director and Elderly Project Coordinator, the social work student will provide support to the coordinators of the program in tasks such as participating in the core services: friendly visits to seniors, accompaniments. The student may also be asked to lead leisure and recreational activities for a weekly senior social club. The student will be asked to attend orientation and training sessions designed for volunteers.

TIME: Preference for Wednesday afternoon 12:00 noon - 4:00 PM. However the time is negotiable Monday - Friday 9:00 -5:00.

REQUIREMENTS: Functionally bilingual

YM-YWHA SPECIAL NEEDS DEPARTMENT
5400 Westbury Ave.

Julie Longval
514-737-6551 Ex. 235

Working as part of the Special Needs Department, with intellectually disabled individuals - children, adolescents, adults - the U1 student will be involved in program options a student could get involved in Club Rendez-vous / Drop in Centre. This is a drop in centre for individuals with chronic mental illness who live in the community. The student will: familiarize him/herself with the clientele, participate in activities, engage participants to establish a relationship and to survey their programming needs and interest, collect data to establish a "Client profile" activities.

TIME: Monday and Wednesday 11:00 noon - 2:00 PM

REQUIREMENTS: English speaking, French an asset