

**To:** Dean Korr and Executive Committee

**From:** Field Education Committee

**Date:** April 18, 2014

**Re:** Annual Report – 2013/2014

### **Actions Taken this Year**

The Field Education Committee worked on several areas during the 2013-2014 academic year. These accomplishments include the ongoing development of the Cape Town, South Africa internship for MSW students. Four students have been selected to complete internships in Cape Town during fall 2014.

The School continues to partner with National Taiwan University. The Field Education Office is actively involved in the coordination of the exchange experience for two NTU BSW students for summer 2014. While here, the students will be involved in a 6 week practicum experience, as well as participate in a seminar course.

The committee has spent much time this year identifying how to best support students with disabilities during their internships. The committee has sought guidance from Disability Resources and Educational Services (DRES) and The Office of Diversity, Equity and Access (ODEA).

The committee continues to review and improve the planning and placement process for students entering into internship, as well as continuing to develop partnerships with organizations across the state.

The Community Learning Lab continues to be supported and run through the Field Office, utilizing the many partnerships of the School's Field Education Office. The CLL will begin its third pilot phase during the fall of 2014.

### **Agenda for next year**

- Propose the integration of the field seminar course and internship into one 12 hour course (explore for BSW and MSW programs)
- Continue to strengthen online trainings for field instructors
- Begin discussions of expanding international experiences for MSW students – explore internship opportunities in Greece, resulting from the faculty-led seminar scheduled for this summer
- Position the Field Office for projected BSW growth