

Social Work and Family Studies

Deb Clark, Holland 213
507-786-3945
clarkd@stolaf.edu
wp.stolaf.edu/socialwork (<http://wp.stolaf.edu/socialwork>)

The Department of Social Work and Family Studies offers a major in social work and a concentration in family studies. Family studies and social work are fields of study that build upon students' liberal arts education to prepare them to identify the changing needs of individuals, families, and communities, develop the means to satisfy those needs, and explore policies and programs that address social problems and enhance human strengths.

The mission of Social Work and Family Studies is to:

- identify as a collaborative department concerned with the well-being of diverse individuals, families, and communities;
- create an intellectual community for faculty working in family studies, social work, and related areas; and
- support the college emphases on cross-cultural and experiential learning.

For the requirements for each of the departmental offerings, see the listings under Family Studies (<http://catalog.stolaf.edu/archive/2015-2016/academic-programs/family-studies>) and Social Work (<http://catalog.stolaf.edu/archive/2015-2016/academic-programs/social-work>).

Faculty

Chair, 2015-2016

Mary S. Carlsen

Professor of Social Work and Family Studies
social policy; global social work; professional ethics; end of life care; family studies

Erica Weekes Kanewischer

Visiting Assistant Professor of Social Work and Family Studies
therapy

Lisa L. Moore

Assistant Professor of Social Work and Family Studies
race and culture in families; emerging adulthood theory; social work education

Kristen Perron

Instructor in Social Work and Family Studies

Susan E. Smalling

Assistant Professor of Social Work and Family Studies
anti-oppressive research and practice; indigenous populations; family and child welfare