

## Social Work and Family Studies

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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/academic-programs/family-studies>) and Social Work (<http://catalog.stolaf.edu/academic-programs/social-work>).

## Faculty

### **Chair, 2016-2017 (Fall and Interim)**

**Mary S. Carlsen** (on leave spring)

Professor of Social Work and Family Studies

social policy; global social work; professional ethics; end of life care; family studies

### **Chair, 2016-2017 (Spring)**

**Susan E. Smalling**

Associate Professor of Social Work and Family Studies

anti-oppressive research and practice; indigenous populations; family and child welfare

### **Karen Goodenough**

Instructor in Social Work and Family Studies

macro practice, policy; children and families

### **Erica Weekes Kanewischer**

Visiting Assistant Professor of Social Work and Family Studies

marriage and family therapy

### **Lisa L. Moore**

Assistant Professor of Social Work and Family Studies

race and culture in families; emerging adulthood theory; social work practice

### **Kristen Perron**

Instructor in Social Work and Family Studies