

Shikamoo - Welcome!

SOWK 4758: Social Work in Kenya – Context, Conservation, Empowerment, Sustainability

Information sessions:

Wednesday July 13 @ 12:00 MST and Thursday July 14th @ 6:00 MST

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Travel dates: 11/26/22- 12/11/22

Three Fall Class (Dates TBD)



(Explore the Tsavo Eco-system, home of the largest number of remaining African Elephant)

In collaboration with the Africa Network for Animal Welfare (ANAW), this course is designed to introduce students to the concept on one-health examined through social, political, economic, cultural, geographic and conservation issues of Kenya and East Africa. This course is field based with strong emphasis on experiential learning and direct experiences.

Through the development of an integrated social science and eco-centric understanding of one's place in the natural environment and a paradigm that acknowledges the interdependence and interconnection between humans and the more-than-human world, social workers practicing locally and globally can contribute to effective, strengths-based solutions to address the crises and issues facing our world. Local issues and community-based efforts that strive for socio-environmental justice will be highlighted to promote critical thinking around concrete issues of one-health, bio-diversity protection, environmental awareness, land use, water use and the delicate balance of humane treatment and care of human and non-human animal communities.

Learning projects include:

Anti-poaching and de-snaring wire traps to reduce animal suffering	Interacting and teaching/learning in local communities
Working directly with wildlife guardian rangers	Community building, environmental conservation and sustainable practices.
Working with displaced persons and communities	Meet and work with the women conservation leaders and community leaders.
Learning about the political and governance issues facing Kenya	Protection of animals with Africa Network for Animal Welfare.
Trauma recovery effort for orphaned elephants	Home visits in a rural community and Kibera's urban slum with KGSA academy.
Problem solving Human-Animal Conflict issues	Visit the world's greatest wildlife parks (Tsavo East and West).

