Social Work Education



Instruments for Program Evaluation

WHAT IS SWEAP?

In 1999, the Baccalaureate Education Assessment Package (BEAP) was developed to support evaluation of undergraduate social work programs. In 2013, BEAP reorganized & became the **Social Work Education Assessment Project (SWEAP).**

SWEAP provides a comprehensive package of **6 instruments** designed to assist <u>undergraduate & graduate</u> social work programs in tracking students from program entrance through alumni status. **Using SWEAP allows your program to compare to over 300 programs across the country.**

WHAT **6** INSTRUMENTS MAKE UP THE **SWEAP** PACKAGE?

- ✓ The **Entrance Instrument** collects demographic information, educational history, prior experience & career intentions of students entering the program.
- ✓ As students prepare to graduate, the Exit Instrument solicits information related to employment, plans for graduate study, professional activities, & demographic information. Students evaluate both the program's role in helping them develop professional competencies, and the implicit curriculum of the program.
- ✓ Through the Alumni Instrument, graduates report employment, educational & professional activities, as well as provide a follow-up evaluation of how well the program prepared him/her for professional practice.
- ✓ The Employer/Supervisor Instrument allows current supervisors to evaluate professional practice of alumni, as related to professional competencies.
- ✓ The Curriculum Instrument is a direct measure of knowledge across seven (7) curricular areas, & all EPAS 2015 Core Competencies. When administered at program entrance & the end of foundation level coursework, the Curriculum Instrument allows for pretest/post-test analysis of student knowledge gained through the program & helps pinpoint areas for curricular enhancement.
- ✓ The Field Instrument allows field instructors to measure student achievement across various dimensions related to each EPAS competency, scored on a 5-point Likert scale & allowing for qualitative feedback. Customized instruments can assess advanced behaviors (additional nominal fee)

WHO ARE THE SWEAP TEAM?

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MULTIDIMENSIONAL ASSESSMENT OF ALL EPAS 2015 COMPETENCIES

Combining the SWEAP Field (FPPAI) & Foundation Curriculum Assessment (FCAI) Instruments satisfies the requirement for multi-dimensional assessment of each EPAS 2015 competency. Knowledge requisite for competent practice of each core competency is measured by the FCAI. The FPPAI measures at least one additional dimension(values, skills, &/or cognitive & affective processes) for each core competency.

RESPONDING TO CHANGES IN ASSESSMENT

- \Rightarrow All instruments have been adjusted to respond to EPAS 2015.
- ⇒ Reports have been updated to make it easier to relate findings directly to EPAS to meet assessment publication requirements.

WE CAN CUSTOMIZE TO MEET YOUR PROGRAM'S NEEDS

- ⇒ We can work with you to tailor <u>instruments & reports</u> to your own program goals & objectives.
- ⇒ Add additional questions, like advanced year/concentration competencies, to Field & Exit Instruments.
- ⇒ Customized reports compare your program to others with similar characteristics.

KEEPING UP WITH TECHNOLOGY

- ⇒ All SWEAP instruments are available online for amazingly fast processing times.
- ⇒ If paper versions are best for your program, you get a .pdf by email and print them yourself. No need to wait for us to mail them to you!

CONSTANTLY IMPROVING

⇒ We regularly add more resources to our website to support you & your programs.

		SWEAP FEES
Annual Fee	\$25	Due with the first order after July 1 each year (Programs who paid the One-Time BEAP fee are exempt)
Cost per Instrument	\$1.50 \$1.00	Paper- Print your own paper instruments, & mail them back. Web- Online submission offers speedy report processing.
Raw Data Fee	\$25	There is a flat fee for raw data requests. There are some restrictions on raw data. See website.
Rush Fees 1 Week = \$75.00 2 Weeks = \$50.00 3 Weeks = \$25.00		Paper instruments mailed back to SWEAP may take 4-6 weeks to process. ONLINE SUBMISSION OFFERS FASTER REPORT PROCESSING. If online submission is not an option, you can rush paper processed orders for an additional fee, per package of instruments sent in for processing.

Want to find out more about what SWEAP can do for you & your program?

Check out our website http://SWEAPINSTRUMENTS.ORG, or

Reach out to our SWEAP Team Members