

SOWK7630 : Policy Issues in Rural America

This course prepares advanced social work practitioners to examine contemporary policy issues, especially as they relate to future development of human services in rural and small-town communities in the Northwest. Public policy and legislative issues that are affecting the rural Pacific Northwest (particularly Washington, Oregon, and Idaho) will also be addressed. Different perspectives and models for interpreting and analyzing social policy will be presented in an effort to enhance understanding of the American societal responses to social, economic, political, and health needs within the context of a Christian worldview.

Credits 3