Proficiency Examinations-Questions and Answers

1. Who should take the proficiency exams?

   Non-BSW students who have had previous course work in socio-behavioral theory, social science research and/or social policy may take these exams.

2. How do I sign up to take the proficiency exams?

   You must complete the following Registration Form and return it the Office of Student Services. Study guide materials are available on the MSASS Registrar’s web page.

3. When can I take the proficiency exams?

   The following exams may be scheduled prior to the semester in which the course is offered:
   
   SASS 440: Human Development in Context I Child/Adolescent
   
   SASS 470: Social Policy
   
   SASS 441: Human Development in Context II Adult
   
   SASS 484: Theories of Oppression and Social Justice
   
   SASS 426: Research Methods in Social Work

4. If I pass, then what course(s) would I take?

   You would substitute an advanced elective for the credit hours. Please note that credit hours are not waived, just the course requirement.

5. What if I don’t pass the exam?

   There is no penalty for not passing. However, an individual exam may be taken only once.

6. What does it cost?

   There is no charge to take the exams.

7. What about registration?

   It is suggested that you register for the class or classes which you are attempting to waive. You can add/drop if you pass the exam.