

## **How to Become a Field Instructor**

Social Workers who are interested in becoming Field Instructors for a BSW or an MSW Student Intern should contact JB Barna ([jbarna@uvm.edu](mailto:jbarna@uvm.edu) or 802-656-8409) and submit a current resume. JB will talk with potential Field Instructors about the Field Program and the Objectives of the student experience. Field Instructors need to have an MSW degree\* from an accredited social work program as well as two years “post” degree experience in the field of social work. Field Instructors will need to talk with JB about the possible field assignments available to students in their particular agency or program. Together they will decide what level(s) of student is most appropriate for the placement.

If the decision is made to approve the Field Instructor for student placement, the new Field Instructor will be appointed by the Dean of the College of Education and Social Services as Adjunct Faculty members. Additionally, they must attend the Orientation Field Instructor Seminar in August of their first year. All Field Instructors are encouraged to come to this particular seminar each and every year for a refresher, updates/changes, and simply to sit with a group of peers who will all be working with students in the upcoming academic year.

\*BSW students can be supervised by social workers with a BSW degree from an accredited social work program as long as they have two years of “post” degree experience in the field of social work.