Student Inability to Confirm a Match

The Field Education Coordinator is responsible for making reasonable effort to match every eligible BSW or MSW student with an appropriate placement. In the event of one or more unsuccessful student placement interviews, the Field Education Coordinator will meet with the student to reassess the student's readiness to be matching with a placement and enroll in the Field Experience/ Practicum course. If it is determined that the student will not be enrolling in Field Experience/Practicum the following semester, the student will be required to withdraw from both this course as well as any other course required to be taken concurrently with the student's placement (see the "Interdependence between Field Experience/ Practicum and Social Work Practice Courses" policy on the UVM Department of Social Work Field Education website).

With guidance from the Field Education Coordinator, the student will develop a plan for re-entry into the field course, which will then be signed by the student and the Field Education Coordinator and placed in the student's academic placement file, to be reviewed together at the time the student wishes to re-engage in the placement matching process. As UVM Department of Social Work students have academic year-long placements, this plan will involve a delay in the student's enrollment in Field Experience/Practicum by at least one academic year.