## UW Oshkosh Social Work Department
### Statement of Commitment to the NASW Code of Ethics

#### General Statement of Commitment
(Please initial each line.)

- I have read the NASW Code of Ethics in its entirety.
- I hereby affirm that I will adhere to its principles and standards as part of my preparation for entry into a professional career.

#### Acknowledgment of Professional Issues
(Please initial each line.)

- I am aware that it is customary for social service agencies to require BSW or MSW hires or social work interns to submit background checks which may proscribe employment or placement. These background checks address convictions including guilty pleas for the following:

  - Driving while intoxicated conviction within last two years
  - Felony convictions
  - Sexual exploitation of a child or other related offenses
  - Drug manufacturing or sale
  - Promoting prostitution, sale or purchase of a minor
  - Elder abuse
  - Physical neglect or injury of a child
  - Underage drinking
  - Arrests for shoplifting/petty theft and petty larceny less than five years ago

- I am also aware that the application for Social Work Certification in the State of Wisconsin will require that I disclose if I have ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor.

- I understand that it is my responsibility to inform my advisor and field instructor of any additional misdemeanor or felony charges and convictions that occur after admission to the BSW program.

- I am also aware that at any time the Department of Social Work may do criminal background checks to document criminal charges and convictions.

- I understand that I have a professional obligation not to allow personal problems or other difficulties as identified under the Code of Ethics, Section 4.05(a) to jeopardize the best interests of those for whom I have a professional responsibility.

- I likewise understand that I have a further obligation under the Code of Ethics, Section 4.05(b) to seek professional help or take other steps necessary to protect clients and others when these problems or difficulties interfere with my professional judgment and performance.

- I understand that making false, incomplete, or deceptive oral or written statements in the application process may result in denial of admission or dismissal from the program.

My signature below indicates that I have read and understand each of the above statements.

Signature_________________________________________ Date________________________