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Purpose, Vision, Mission, and Theoretical Framework Statements

Purpose

To serve the people of South Dakota and the upper Midwest through social work education, research, and service.

Vision

To be a national leader in social work education, research, policy and practice for rural, urban, and Native American communities.

Mission

To excel in the education of social workers and leaders through culturally-responsive research, policy, and practice methods for rural, urban, and Native American communities.

Theoretical Framework

Applied biopsychosocial science with a strengths-based perspective using evidence based decision making processes.