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TO: All Incoming First Year MSW Students

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RE: Foundation Course Exemption Request Reminder

Remember that the deadlines for requesting exemption from foundation courses are approaching soon. You may request exemption from SoWo 500: Human Development in Context I: Infancy to Adolescence, SoWo 505: Human Development in Context II: Adulthood to Older Adulthood, and SoWo 530: Foundations of Social Welfare Policy until Friday, July 24, 2009. The deadline for requesting exemption from SoWo 510: Introduction to Research Methods is Friday, September 25, 2009. For additional information about course exemption requests, please read below and visit <http://ssw.unc.edu/students/academic/advising>.

Although all students must meet Foundation Curriculum requirements, some entering students may have had previous course work related to Foundation Curriculum content. To ensure that students do not have to repeat content they have already mastered, the School of Social Work offers all first year students an opportunity to exempt four Foundation courses, SoWo 500: Human Development in Context: Infancy to Adolescence, SoWo 505: Human Development in Context II: Adulthood to Older Adulthood, SoWo 510: Foundations for Evidence-Based Practice and Program Evaluation, and SoWo 530: Foundations of Social Welfare Policy. Exemption of Foundation courses does not result in course credit but rather enables the student to fulfill those credit hours by enrolling in other social work courses. If you believe your prior course work mirrors any of these four foundation courses, you should consider requesting an exemption. Information about the foundation course exemption process and related forms are included in this packet. Syllabi for the foundation courses may be reviewed online at <http://ssw.unc.edu/students/academic/advising>.