**Executive Summary of Program Assessment**

**Campus:** MU

**College/School:** College of Human Environmental Sciences

**Academic Unit:** School of Social Work

**Date Submitted:** 12/14/12

**Person Responsible for Success of Program:** Marjorie Sable, Director, School of Social Work

**Person Submitted Executive Summary:**

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**Degree Programs**

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| **Degree (e.g., BS, MA, PhD)** | **Degree Program** | **Enrollment** | **Number of Degrees Awarded** |
| **Most Recent Fall Semester****(fall 2011)** | **5-Year Fall Semester Average** | **Most Recent Academic Year****(fall 2011)** | **5-Year Average** |
| BSW | Social Work | 181 | 152 | 42 | 43.6 |
| MSW | Social Work | 184 | 211 | 51 | 82.8 |
| PhD | Social Work | 15.6 | 12 | 3 | 4.2 |

**Changes Since Last Review**

* In 2011 the School conducted a self-study for accreditation with the Council on Social work Education and was successfully awarded accreditation for the next eight years.
* The Coordinating Board for Higher Education approved expansion of the off-campus MSW program sites to include North Central Missouri and, in June 2013, South Central Missouri.
* Two graduate certificates were added: Graduate Certificate in Military Social Work and Graduate Certificate in Gerontological Social Work
* Center for Education and Research on Veterans and Military Families was created.
* The doctoral program that began in 2001 has now graduated 24 students.
* A Fig was established in 2010 to allow undergraduate social work pre-professional students to build an immediate community when coming to Mizzou.
* A minor in Financial Literacy was created in collaboration with the Department of Personal Financial Planning in the College of Human Environmental Sciences at MU.

**Strategies or Plans for Improving Program**

The School of Social Work is dedicated to ongoing review of its curriculum, and strategic planning is part of the annual retreat process. Goals for the next 3-5 years include the following:

* A Policy, Planning and Administration curriculum will be offered to off-campus cohorts, beginning in 2013 (for the F12 cohort).
* Dual degrees with Masters of Public Health and with the Law School are being actively pursued.
* The off-campus MSW program will be expanded to South Central Missouri, with first graduation in 2015.
* The School of Social Work continues to explore alternative means of delivery of instruction to off-campus students.
* Faculty have identified three areas of the curriculum for revision in the next few years: helping students connect research and practice, helping students tolerate ambiguity in resolving ethical conflicts, and reducing repetitive course content.
* The faculty have decided to establish a Visioning Committee to focus on insuring that students graduate with the skills needed in the changing workplace.