

**WVU School of Social Work**  
**BSW Online Professional Application**  
**HUMAN SERVICE ACTIVITY**  
**Certificate of Completion**

WVU School of Social Work requires that students complete 50 hours of human service experience prior to beginning the professional level BSW Online program. This experience is designed to give students an opportunity to work face-to-face in a helping capacity with others. Working in a helping capacity prior to entering the program will help the student to solidify that social work is a career of interest and will give the student experience that will make the courses in social work more meaningful.

Given the spirit and intent of the requirement to gain some form of social work experience (which can be paid or volunteer), activities that do not involve face-to-face helping interactions are precluded – such as stuffing envelopes, being a lifeguard at a pool and other activities that do not involve working directly with people in a helping capacity. Other more appropriate experiences would include being a camp counselor, working with the elderly in a nursing home, tutoring children, etc.

The 50-hour requirement is not intended to limit students to a single experience in a single setting; multiple experiences in multiple settings are preferred as long as a total of 50 hours is completed. All activities must have been completed after high school graduation

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of hours completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of agency or organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency address: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Inclusive dates of service activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of service activities: