IGFP SUMMER BLOCK APPLICATION

Name ____________________________________________________________

UConn e-mail ___________________________ Cell phone number ________________

Student Admin ID ___________________________________________________

Application Process

Students must indicate their intention to apply for summer block by emailing ellen.smith@uconn.edu by Friday, December 11, 2020. Students should first discuss their interest in the block placement with their advisor. Students then complete the application package, which includes:

- the IGFP Summer Block application form
- a current transcript (unofficial is fine – please download from your student administration account)
- a copy of your most recent field evaluation
- the advisor recommendation form, to be completed by the advisor assigned to you during your first field placement. You will need to sign a release of information if you request a letter from a UConn faculty or staff member. The Release Form for Letter of Recommendation can be found at https://ferpa.uconn.edu/forms/. The completed form should be submitted to OSAS.
- the instructor recommendation form, to be completed by your instructor for BASC 5391. Students who were exempted from BASC 5391 should have this form completed by the instructor for their fall practice course (IGFP 5345, IGFP 5346, IGFP 5365, or IGFP 5342). You will need to sign a release of information for this as well.
- an updated resume
- copies of two process recordings, each on a different case, including a brief case summary of each
- a written statement which addresses in depth (approximately 4-6 pages):
  - your educational rationale for wanting to take a block placement rather than a concurrent placement.
  - reflections on your practice, including strengths and areas for growth.
  - reflections on the process recordings included with the application, addressing the following questions:
    1. What do you think you did well in this session?
    2. What would you do differently?
  - your preparedness for a block placement (a much more intensive learning experience than the usual concurrent placement), including performance to date in field and in classes.
  - any recommendations for a specific placement.
The entire application is due on January 8, 2021. Materials should be submitted to Dr. Ellen Smith, co-chair of the IGFP summer block committee. Please submit all the application materials, except for the recommendation forms, together in an email to ellen.smith@uconn.edu. Please ask your advisor and instructor to email their recommendation forms directly to ellen.smith@uconn.edu.

Materials will be reviewed by the IGFP summer block committee, which consists of IGFP faculty members and Field Education staff. The committee may also consult with the student’s instructors and advisors. Students will be advised of the committee’s decision in writing by late February 2021.

Block placements are available to students who have completed all but the 2nd year field placement and the final two concentration courses (which must be taken concurrently with the block placement).

Do you currently have incompletes in any courses? If so, please list them below:

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I will have completed the work needed to resolve the Incomplete grade(s) prior to the start of the spring semester. I also will have completed all but the appropriate final concentration courses, which will be taken concurrently with the block placement.

__________________________________________  ____________________________
Student Signature                          Date

DECISION OF CONCENTRATION CHAIR: _____ approve _____ deny*

* Reasons for denial:

__________________________________________

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Concentration Chair Signature __________________________  Date__________________
IGFP SUMMER BLOCK FIELD APPLICATION

ADVISOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

Students’ name ________________________________________________________________

Advisor’s name ________________________________________________________________

Advisor’s e-mail ________________________________________________________________

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In the space below, please comment on your impressions of the student’s performance in field and academically. Please discuss any strengths of the student, as well as any concerns you have about the student’s admission into the summer block program.

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