ORIENTING STUDENTS TO FIELD

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Agenda

• Phases of Student Development
• Orienting Students to your Agency
• Orienting Students to You
• Opportunities and Benefits of Orientation

Phases of Student Development

• Beginning - Anxiety, anticipation
• Engagement
• Basic Mastery
• Closure
Orienting Students to your Agency- Best Practices

- Orientation should be intentional and focused; suggested topic areas:
  - Policies and Procedures (parking, dress code)
  - Agency Overview (services offered, clients served)
  - Confidentiality
  - Safety precautions
  - Specific Agency terminology
  - Identification (how will the student identify themselves to clients?)
- Suggested checklists can be found in the links below this module

Orienting Students to Working With You and Your Team

- Supervision: how should students prepare, when will supervision occur?
- Preferred mode of communication
- Emergency policy: what happens if they call in sick?
- Regularly scheduled meetings or appointments

Conclusion - Opportunities for Orientation

- Opportunity to transform anxiety to excitement
- Helps set students up for success at the agency
- Prepares students to work closely with you