

## The Rutgers DSW Program

**Module Title:** Introduction to the Case Study

**Instructor:**

**Residency:** August 2018

**Date:**

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### **Module Description:**

This module provides an overview of the purpose and function of a case study in social work research. Students are also educated regarding the primary methods and goals utilized in writing a successful case study for publication. Students will engage in a discussion exploring potential issues, problems, or notable interventions enacted within a clinical context to establish a foundation for their first year case study assignment. The rubric and important due dates for this assignment will be provided.

### **Module Objectives:**

1. Understand the purpose of a case study and rationale for its use in practice-based research.
2. Identify and appreciate the role of the literature review in a case study.
3. Select a case study or issue from professional practice to gear toward the case study assignment.

### **Module Readings (required):**

1. Baskarada, S. (2014). Qualitative case study guidelines. *The Qualitative Report, 19*, 1-18.
2. Baxter, P., & Jack, S. (2008). Qualitative case study methodology: Study design and implementation for novice researchers. *The Qualitative Report, 13*(4), 544-559.
3. Goldblatt Hyatt, E.D. (2018, under review). Counseling my mirror image: The importance of addressing spiritual countertransference in clinical practice. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University.