



Social Work Student Education Standard

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**To educate or not to educate.....
to offer student placements or not to
offer?**



The Problem

- How to generate placements (Globerman and Bogo, 2002)
- SHSC focus group:
 - Why offer placements?
 - Why not offer placements?
- A solution to address these challenges



Social Work Student Education Standard (SSES)

- Development and Implementation
- The Standard – delineates key components in field education and the indicators/activities
- “Staff is expected to offer an MSW practicum a minimum of **once every 2 years** if it is undertaken in a rotational model, or **once every 3 years** if it is a full placement”



Research Process

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Quantitative Descriptive

- Development and Implementation of SSES

Qualitative Descriptive Analysis: Impacts of SSES

- Online Survey
- Interviews

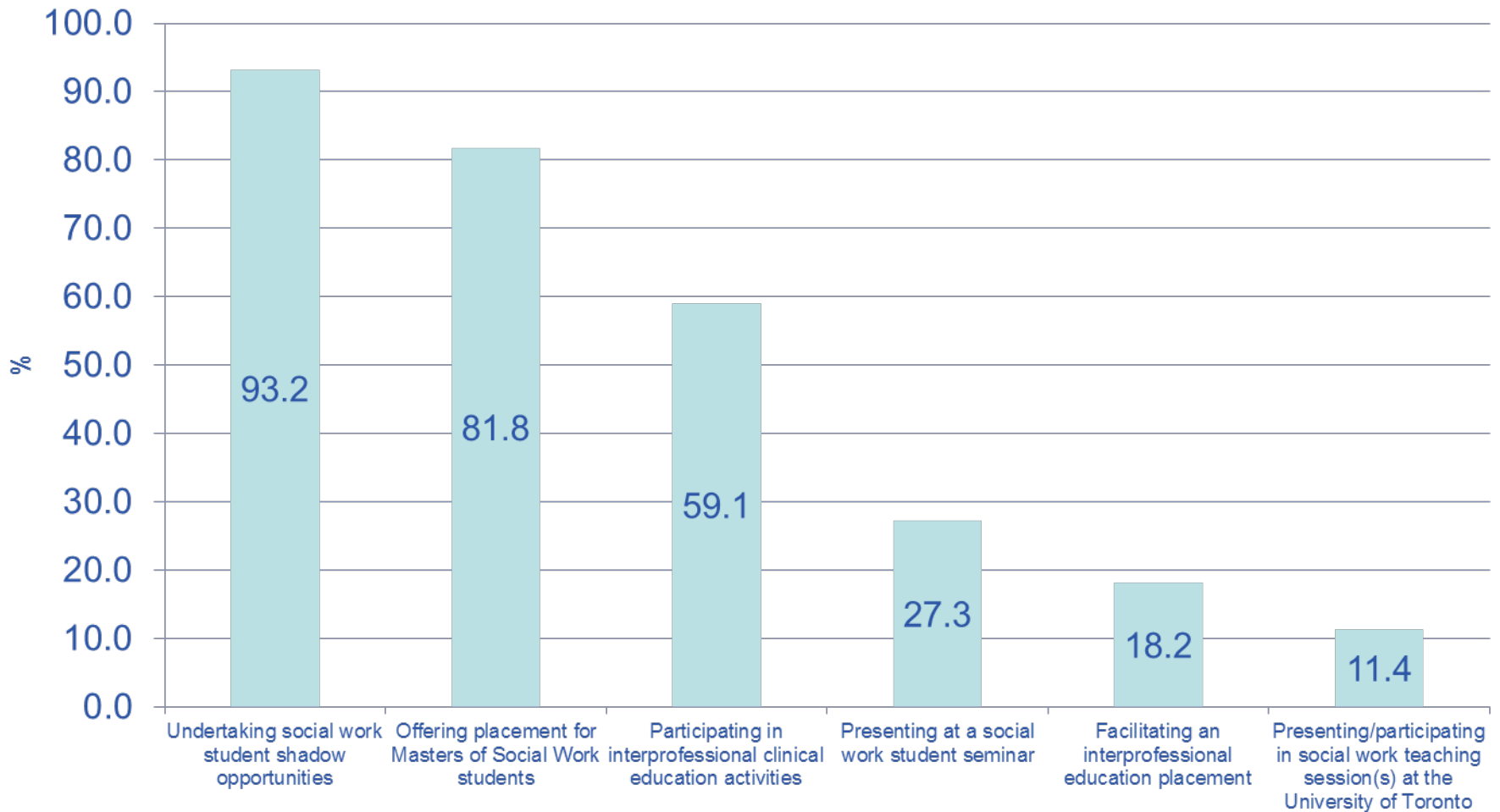


Preliminary Results

- **84 %** response rate
- **89.7 %** Full time staff
- **67.5 %** were students at Sunnybrook in the past
- Demonstrated staff involvement across all components of field education



In the last 3 years, which components of the Standard have you participated in while working at Sunnybrook?





86.5 % of staff had undertaken placements in past 3 yrs
= **significant increase**

MSW PLACEMENTS AT SUNYBROOK

Year	# of Students	# of Supervisors
Sept 2013 – Jan 2014	13	26
Sept 2012 – Jan 2013	11	20
Sept 2011 – Jan 2012	10	22
Sept 2010 – Jan 2011 *SSES implemented	14	24
Sept 2009 – Jan 2010	12	20
Sept 2008 – Jan 2009	8	15
Sept 2007 – Jan 2008 *Rotational model started	9	13
Sept 2006 – Jan 2007	12	17
Sept 2005 – Jan 2006	9	12
Sept 2004 – Jan 2005	15	8
Sept 2003 – Jan 2004	12	13



Results Cont'd.

- Barriers to offering student placements
- Impacts:

Accountability

Flexibility

Satisfaction



Conclusion

**It is no longer whether or not to educate,
but when to educate.....**

And when to offer student placements



- SSES is woven into our fabric
- Transferability of the SSES
- Next steps
- Thank You

Bertha Rosenstadt Trust Fund has been pivotal in enabling research on the implementation and evaluation of the SSES



Questions?