## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK Bachelor of Social Work

## **Mission Statement:**

The mission of the Social Work Program at The University of North Carolina at Pembroke seeks to prepare students for professional entry-level social work practice within a generalist model and to become leaders in enhancing the quality of life.

## Goals:

- To prepare students for entry level generalist social work practice
- To prepare students who will demonstrate the ability to appreciate human diversity and issues of social and economic justice
- To prepare students to understand the role of the social worker in our region and a changing society
- To instill in students a commitment for continued personal and professional growth

## **Program Objectives:**

- Apply critical thinking skills within the context of professional social work practice
- Understand the value base of the profession and its ethical standards and principles, and practice accordingly
- Practice without discrimination and with respect, knowledge, and skills related to clients' age, class, color, culture, disability, ethnicity, family structure, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, and sexual orientation.
- Understand the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination and apply strategies of advocacy and social change that advance social and economic justice.
- Understand and interpret the history of the social work profession and its contemporary structures and issues.