

# Ray Pacheco, MSW, PCSW

Lecturer & MSW Part-time Field Coordinator

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## Summary

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Dedicated social worker, educator, and community advocate with over 20 years of experience in nonprofit work, mental health, and public service. Currently serving as an Assistant Lecturer and MSW Field Coordinator at the University of Wyoming, I am committed to preparing future social workers through experiential learning and policy advocacy. My practice and teaching emphasize, interdisciplinary collaboration, and systemic change to address social inequities. As a civic leader, I bring a strong background in leadership, community organizing, and policy development to both academic and professional settings.

### EDUCATION

**Master of Social Work (MSW)**, University of Wyoming, 2011

**Bachelor of Science in Political Science**, Carroll College, Helena, MT, 1998

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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

**Assistant Lecturer & MSW Part-time Field Coordinator**

Division of Social Work, University of Wyoming

August 2024 – Present

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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**University of Wyoming, Division of Social Work**

**Courses Taught**

**Fall 2024**

- **SOWK 4060 – Diversity and Difference in Social Work Practice** (Enrollment: 10)
  - Examines social work roles and issues related to human diversity and difference.
- **SOWK 4991-50 – BSW Field Seminar I** (Enrollment: 9)

- Supports student integration of classroom and field experiences.
- **SOWK 5300 – Generalist Social Work Practice** (Enrollment: 10)
  - Introduces critical social work theory and social justice practice.
- **SOWK 5850-50 – MSW Advanced Social Work Practicum** (Enrollment: 12)
  - Supervises MSW students in advanced field placements.

#### **Spring 2025**

- **SOWK 5500-50 – Advanced Policy: Advocacy and Social Action** (Enrollment: 7)
  - Focuses on advanced advocacy and policy analysis strategies.
- **SOWK 4992-50 – BSW Field Seminar II** (Enrollment: 10)
  - Supports the integration of field experience and academic learning.
- **SOWK 3650-01 – Practice III: Communities** (Enrollment: 15)
  - Focuses on community practice principles.
- **SOWK 5850-50 – MSW Advanced Social Work Practicum** (Enrollment: 12)
  - Supervises MSW students in advanced field placements.

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#### **TRAINING & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- **Provisional Clinical Social Worker License (PCSW-995)**
- **Certified EMDR Practitioner**
- **Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference, 2024**
- **Truthought Certified Facilitator, 2010**
- **Suicide Prevention Training 2010**
- **Trauma-Informed Care Training 2024**

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#### **SERVICE**

##### **Community Service**

- Casper City Council, 2015-Current
- Natrona County Recreation Joint Powers Board
- Natrona County Council of Governments
- Youth Empowerment Council

- City of Casper Finance Committee
- Casper's Council of People with Disabilities

#### **University Service**

- MSW Committee
  - Field Committee
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#### **AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

- 2021 University of Wyoming College of Health Sciences Distinguished Alumni in Social Work
  - Current Mayor City of Casper, also served as mayor in 2018, 2020 and 2023
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#### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Member, National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
  - EMDR Training Certification, 2024
  - Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference, 2024
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#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Actively engaged in public service and community development in Casper, Wyoming.
  - Specializes in trauma-informed approaches, focusing on individuals aged 10 to seniors, with expertise in grief, divorce, trauma (using EMDR), CBT, and mindfulness for chronic depression and anxiety.
  - Advocates for and employs various modalities to support houseless individuals.
  - Deeply committed to community organizing and social justice advocacy.
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**References available upon request.**