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M.S.W. in Social Work Description

The M.S.W. is a professional degree that prepares students to work with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities in clinical settings. Students pursue either a regular track or advanced standing track, depending on their education.

Admission Requirements

Admission Requirements (regular standing program)

In addition to meeting regular Graduate School requirements of a bachelor's degree and completed online application, students seeking regular admission to the Master of Social Work program must meet or submit the following:

- Completion of 3 hours in each of the following undergraduate liberal arts courses: English composition, history, political science, statistics, psychology, sociology, human biology, and 9 hours of electives in the social or behavioral sciences.
- Resume
- Personal, autobiographical statement
- Essay
- Background check
- Three letters of recommendation

Application deadline: April 1

Admission Requirements (advanced standing program)

In addition to the requirements for regular admission, students seeking admission to the advanced standing program for the Master of Social Work must meet the following:

- 3.0 GPA on the last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework or 3.0 overall GPA
- Completion of Bachelor of Social Work degree from a CSWE accredited program within the last five years

Application deadline for advanced standing is Jan. 15.

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 36

Goals/Mission Statement

To prepare competent and ethical clinical social workers, for scientific inquiry, who are leaders committed to diversity, social and economic justice, and the enrichment of the quality of life, with systems of all sizes, at every level of society.

General Education Requirements

Completion of the following liberal arts courses: English composition, history, political science, statistics, psychology, sociology, human biology, and 9 hours of electives in the social or behavioral sciences.

Course Requirements

Students must complete the requirements for either the regular track or advanced placement track.

Emphasis - MSW Regular Track Description

The regular track M.S.W. program is designed for students who do not enter the program with a B.S.W. degree from a CSWE-accredited program within the past five years.

Course Requirements

Students in the regular track for the M.S.W. must complete 60 hours of social work courses, including a set of 24 hours of foundation courses, 30 hours of clinical practice courses, and 6 hours of electives (from among the set of listed courses). No thesis or final oral examination is required.

Foundation Curriculum (24 hours):

- SW 601-Human Behavior and the Social Environment (3)
- SW 602-Social Work Practice with Individuals (3)
- SW 603-Social Work Research Methods (3)
- SW 604-Social Welfare Policies and Programs (3)
- SW 615-Practice with Families and Groups (3)
- SW 620-Practice with Organizations and Communities (3)
- SW 621-Field Instruction I [225 hours] (3)
- SW 622-Field Instruction II [225 hours] (3)

Concentration Area--Clinical Practice (30 hours):

- SW 630-Theories and Methods of Family Intervention (3)
- SW 640-Advanced Practice with Groups (3)
- SW 650-Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis (3)
- SW 660-Clinical Supervision (3)
- SW 680-Evaluation Research (3)



- SW 683-Theories of Psychotherapy (3)
- SW 686-Traumatic Stress and Crisis Intervention (3)
- SW 687-Substance Abuse and Addiction (3)
- SW 623-Field Instruction III [225 hours] (3)
- SW 624-Field Instruction IV [225 hours] (3)

Electives (6 hours):

- SW 670-Leadership and Administration (3)
- SW 681-Forensic Social Work with Children (3)
- SW 682-Clinical Practice in Child Welfare (3)
- SW 684-Social Work in Health Care Settings (3)
- SW 685-Gerontological Social Work (3)

