MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (M.S.W.)

Programs

Program Modalities
- M.S.W. Dual Degree Programs
- M.S.W. Hybrid
- M.S.W. On Campus
- M.S.W. Online

Full Time Plan of Study
In the full time plan of study, students generally can complete their M.S.W. program in two academic years. It consists of:
- Two years of classroom coursework (24 credits each year).
- Two years of fieldwork (9 credits per year).

Your fieldwork includes a generalist and specialist year practicum. The practicum schedule is 21 hours OR 14 hours per week. All students are expected to complete 600 hours of fieldwork placement per year (1,200 hours total over the two-year period).

Part Time Plan of Study
The part-time plan of study is for students who would like a slower pace to completing their M.S.W. degree. In this plan of study, you can complete your M.S.W. degree in three to four years.

You can begin this plan with two classes per semester in the first year. Fieldwork placement is added in the second year. You also have the option of completing some courses during summer sessions (usually mid-May to early July).

Advanced Standing Plan of Study
Graduates of a Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)-accredited undergraduate social work program within the past five years may apply for admission into the specialized practice year (second year) of the two-year program OR one year of CSWE-accredited M.S.W. coursework may be eligible for the advanced standing program. You can complete your M.S.W. in as little as one year or can go part time and complete your M.S.W. in two years.

Experienced Employed Social Service Practitioner (EESSP) Plan of Study
Employed and Experienced Social Worker Plan (EESSP) students are not required to fulfill a fieldwork assignment during the generalist phase of the M.S.W. program. You complete a single, 28-hour-per-week practicum (900 hours in total) at your place of employment during the Specialist Phase.

To qualify for this plan, you must already be employed in a social service agency doing related work under the supervision of an employee with an M.S.W. degree. Your employer must provide you with a fieldwork placement that is different from your daily work, with a different supervisor who has an M.S.W. degree and has taken (or will take) the Seminar in Field Instruction (SIFI) offered by all local graduate programs of social work.