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M.S.W. in Social Work Description

The M.S.W. is a professional degree that prepares a student to work with individuals, families, and communities in administrative or direct care positions in private practice, hospitals, city, county, state, or federal social services agencies. Students pursue either a regular track or advanced placement track, depending on their background.

Goals/Mission Statement

The M.S.W. program mission, in keeping with the university's emphasis on excellence in teaching, research, and service, is to prepare competent, effective, and ethical social work professional leaders who are equipped to develop social work knowledge and to provide leadership in the development of service delivery systems. This process involves a thorough grounding of students in both theoretical and practice frameworks on which the professional development of social work clinical practice is based at the advanced level. The faculty emphasizes a commitment to enhancing human well-being through alleviating social problems and emphasizing diversity and social and economic justice with systems of all sizes at the local, national, and global levels.

Course Requirements

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

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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)

