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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)

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The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.

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REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
Select an emphasis		Student must enroll in one of the MSW emphasis areas: MSW Regular Track or MSW Advance Placement Track.
SW 623 - C min	3	Complete SW 623 with a grade of C or better.
SW 624 - C min	3	Complete SW 624 with a grade of C or better.
SW 630 - C min	3	Complete SW 630 with a grade of C or better.
SW 640 - C min	3	Complete SW 640 with a grade of C or better.
SW 650 - C min	3	Complete SW 650 with a grade of C or better.
SW 660 - C min	3	Complete SW 660 with a grade of C or better.
SW 680 - C min	3	Complete SW 680 with a grade of C or better.
SW 683 - C min	3	Complete SW 683 with a grade of C or better.
SW 686 - C min	3	Complete SW 686 with a grade of C or better.
SW 687 - C min	3	Complete SW 687 with a grade of C or better.
GPA requirements		A cumulative average of not less than 3.0 (B) must be achieved in all graduate work taken.
Applied Science Dean's approval		This Degree Audit program is an advising tool only. The student must still apply for a degree by returning a completed Degree Application Form to the dean's office before the last day to add classes in the semester preceding the semester in which the student expects to graduate. The dean's office will make the final certification that the courses listed on the application qualify the student for graduation. The dean's office will also determine if other university requirements (GPA, etc.) have been met.

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SW 601 - C min	3	Complete SW 601 with a grade of C or better.
SW 602 - C min	3	Complete SW 602 with a grade of C or better.
SW 603 - C min	3	Complete SW 603 with a grade of C or better.
SW 604 - C min	3	Complete SW 604 with a grade of C or better.
SW 615 - C min	3	Complete SW 615 with a grade of C or better.
SW 620 - C min	3	Complete SW 620 with a grade of C or better.
SW 621 - C min	3	Complete SW 621 with a grade of C or better.
SW 622 - C min	3	Complete SW 622 with a grade of C or better.
MSW electives	6	Complete at least 6 hours of Social Work electives chosen from the following courses: SW 670 , SW 681 , SW 682 , SW 684 , or SW 685 .

