SOCIAL WORK (MSW)

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.

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.

Specializations

Emphasis - MSW Adv Placement Track

Description

The advanced placement track for the M.S.W. is designed for highly qualified students who have completed a B.S.W. from a CSWE-accredited program within the past five years.

Course Requirements

Students in the advanced placement track for the M.S.W. must complete 36 hours of social work 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.

Code	Title	Hours
Clinical Practice		
SCWK 6300	Theories and Methods of Family Intervent	3
SCWK 6400	Advanced Clinical Social Work: Groups	3
SCWK 6500	Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis	3
SCWK 6600	Clinical Practice and Supervision	3
SCWK 6800	Evaluation Research	3
SCWK 6830	Theories of Psychotherapy	3
SCWK 6860	Traumatic Stress & Crisis Intervention	3
SCWK 6870	Substance Abuse and Addiction	3
SCWK 6213	Field Instruction III	3
SCWK 6214	Field Instruction IV	3
Electives		
Select 6 hours of the following:		
SCWK 6700	Leadership & Administration	
SCWK 6810	Forensic Social Work with Children	
SCWK 6820	Clinical Practice in Child Welfare	
SCWK 6840	Social Work in Health Care Settings	
SCWK 6850	Gerontological Social Work	
Total Hours		**30**

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.

Code	Title	Hours
Foundation Curriculum		
SCWK 6010	Human Behavior in the Social Environment	3
SCWK 6020	Social Work Practice with Individuals	3
SCWK 6030	Social Work Research Methods	3
SCWK 6040	Social Welfare Policies and Programs	3
SCWK 6150	Practice with Families and Groups	3
SCWK 6200	Practice with Organizations/Communities	3
SCWK 6211	Field Instruction I	3
SCWK 6212	Field Instruction II	3
Concentration Area--Clinical Practice		
SCWK 6300	Theories and Methods of Family Intervent	3
SCWK 6400	Advanced Clinical Social Work: Groups	3
SCWK 6500	Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis	3
SCWK 6600	Clinical Practice and Supervision	3
SCWK 6800	Evaluation Research	3
SCWK 6830	Theories of Psychotherapy	3
SCWK 6860	Traumatic Stress & Crisis Intervention	3
SCWK 6870	Substance Abuse and Addiction	3
SCWK 6213	Field Instruction III	3
SCWK 6214	Field Instruction IV	3
Electives		
Select 6 hours of the following:		6
SCWK 6700	Leadership & Administration	
SCWK 6810	Forensic Social Work with Children	
SCWK 6820	Clinical Practice in Child Welfare	
SCWK 6840	Social Work in Health Care Settings	
SCWK 6850	Gerontological Social Work	
Total Hours		**60**

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
- Three letters of recommendation

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