

MASTERS OF SOCIAL WORK

Mission Statement

The mission of the social work program is to prepare social work practitioners who demonstrate and practice the critical thinking skills, values, ethics, and knowledge delineated by the CSWE guidelines and the NASW Code of Ethics.

Student Learning Outcomes

Content

- Identify and describe the knowledge base of social work practice.
- Identify and discuss the foundational base of the social work profession.
- Articulate the challenges faced by various areas of social work practice.
- Describe different methods of conducting social work research.

Critical Thinking

- Analyze and critique the social work practice assessment methods.
- Analyze and interpret the qualitative and quantitative data related to evidence based social work practice.
- Compare, contrast, and evaluate social work practice, policy and administrative strategies and tactics.
- Explain the historical and contemporary controversies and developments in social work.
- Outline racial, ethnic, and gender issues in social work practice.
- Hypothesize relationships among various factors related to competent social work practice.

Communication

- Write logical, articulate, and structurally sound papers.
- Report findings from social work research and literature.

Integrity/Values

- Illustrate the ethical standards of the social work profession as articulated in the NASW Code of Ethics.
- Describe and evaluate ethical controversies in social work.

Project Management

- Effectively utilize research strategies to examine issues in social work practice.

Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes

Evaluation of student achievement of these learning outcomes will occur in all MSW classes. The four assessment instruments developed in conjunction with the CSWE accreditation of the program are administered annually and the results are shared with the faculty and curriculum changes are initiated based on the data collected.

Job Prospects for Masters of Social Work Graduates

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| Child Protective Services | Mental Health Centers |
| Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities. | Vocational rehabilitation Counselors |
| Adoption Agencies & Foster Care Programs. | Hospice and Home Health Social Workers |
| Family Counseling Agencies | Domestic Violence Counseling Programs |
| Hospital Social Work | Substance Abuse Counselors |
| Juvenile and Adult Corrections Counselors | Adolescent Treatment Centers |
| Adult and Juvenile Probation Officers | Private Practice Therapists |

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