



MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

WHY STUDY SOCIAL WORK?

The Master of Social Work program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

"The primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance human well-being and help meet basic needs of all people, with particular attention to the needs of those who are vulnerable, oppressed and living in poverty."

-National Association of Social Workers (2018)

"I would not have missed the opportunity to pursue my MSW at the UofM for anything. My hands-on experience has taught me how important social work is to the community and how I am a part of something greater than myself. I will be able to make a difference in someone else's life because of my education on advocacy, policy and the truth of social injustice, and how it impacts others."

-Rachel Duerr, MSW 2013

STUDY OPTIONS

Full-Time Program
(2 years, 60 credit hours)

Spring-Start Program
(2.5 years, 60 credit hours)

Extended Study
(3-4 years, 60 credit hours)

Advanced Standing*
Full-time (11 months, 37 credit hours)
Part-time (2 years, 37 credit hours)
Online (37 credit hours)

Concentrations
Two concentrations are available:
Advanced Practice with Children, Youth, & Families
Advanced Practice with Adults & Families

Field Internships
MSW students complete 960 hours of field across two placement settings.

*To meet the minimum requirements for advancing standing, a student must have a BA/BSW in social work from an accredited program, 3.0 overall GPA, 3.3 in undergraduate social work courses, and strong writing test scores. Advanced Standing students complete 560 hours of field in one placement setting.



HOW TO APPLY

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- A completed application to the Graduate School
- Non-refundable fee (\$35 domestic, \$60 international)
- Official transcripts from ALL universities you have attended
- Official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score or Praxis Core Writing Score (TOEFL if applicable)
- Three professional references on the online application
- Completed professional goal statement (submitted as part of the online application)

Deadlines

Scholarship/Assistantship Deadline: March 1
Summer/Fall Priority Admission Deadline: March 1
Summer/Fall Admission Deadline: April 15*
Spring Admission Deadline: October 15

*New advanced standing students are accepted for the summer semester.



"UofM consistently prepares their MSW students for successful field placements. This includes preparation not only in core social work skills and knowledge, but also in professionalism. We have had the privilege of hiring several students after placement...We work with students from several universities and disciplines, and University of Memphis MSW students definitely stand out."

-Jeremy Pitzer

CEO, Compass Intervention Center

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of social workers is projected to grow 15 percent from 2017-2027, much faster than the average for all occupations.

The median annual salary for social workers was \$47,980 in 2017, with the top 10% earning more than \$79,740.

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