

MSW Semester Curriculum

1. Foundation Courses	<p>These courses are offered during the first semester of the program and are designed to address the core competencies and practice behaviors that are essential for all social workers.</p>	SWK 6201 - Social & Economic Justice SWK 6202 - Diversity & Cultural Competence SWK 6301 - Developmental Changes Across the Lifespan SWK 6302 – Organizational & Community Systems SWK 6401 - Engaging with Evidence SWK 6501 - Engaging & Entering the Profession SWK 7400 – Evidence in Social Work Practice (ASAP students) SWK 7500 – Professional Development (ASAP students)
2. Practice Area Specialization Courses	<p>The integrated seminars focus on specialized systems of practice to provide depth of knowledge about services targeted at a specific practice arena. The integrated seminars are intended to develop competence and advanced practice behaviors that are needed for successful social work practice in an identified social service system. This includes specialized knowledge of the <i>policies, theories, issues, services, best practices, and desired outcomes</i> within each social service system. Students are required to take <u>both</u> courses to complete the specialization.</p>	<p><u>Aging & Health</u> SWK 7610 - Integrative Seminar I on Aging & Health SWK 7611 - Integrative Seminar II on Aging & Health <u>Mental Health and Substance Abuse</u> SWK 7620 - Integrative Seminar I on Mental Health & Substance Abuse SWK 7621 - Integrative Seminar II on Mental Health & Substance Abuse <u>Child and Youth Services</u> SWK 7630 - Integrative Seminar I on Child & Youth Services SWK 7631 - Integrative Seminar II on Child & Youth Services <u>Community and Social Justice</u> SWK 7640 - Integrative Seminar I in Community & Social Justice Practice SWK 7641 - Integrative Seminar II in Community & Social Justice Practice</p>
3. Advanced Practice Methods Courses	<p>The advanced practice methods courses help students acquire the practice behaviors needed for successful social work practice at the micro- and macro-levels. These courses are intended to teach students “how to do it” regardless of the service system in which they are working. Students are required to take <u>four</u> advanced practice methods course with at least one from the micro-level menu and one from the macro-level menu.</p>	<p><u>Micro-Level</u> SWK 7510 - Strengths-based Clinical SW with Individual Adults SWK 7511 - Clinical SW with Children & Adolescents SWK 7512 - Clinical SW Practice with Couples & Families SWK 7513 - Clinical SW with Groups SWK 7514 - Cognitive Behavioral Methods in Social Work SWK 7515 - Crisis Intervention & Trauma Treatment SWK 7516 – Assessment and Diagnosis in Social Work Practice SWK 7517 - Social Work Practice in Schools SWK 7518 - Advanced Case Management SWK 7519 – Advanced Practice in Motivational Interviewing SWK 7520 – Pharmacotherapy in Social Work SWK 7521 - Evidence-based Substance Abuse Treatment SWK 7522 - Prevention Strategies in Practice</p> <p><u>Macro-Level</u> SWK 7530 - Needs Assessment & Program Design SWK 7531 - Resource Acquisition for Human Service Organizations SW 7532 - Supervision and Human Resource Management SW 7533 - Financial Management SW 7550 - Community Practice & Development SW 7551 - Strategic Planning for Organizational and Community Change SW 7570 - Policy Analysis and Social Legislation Processes</p>
4. Engaging with Evidence: Practice or Program Evaluation	<p>Building upon a foundation course that introduces engaging with evidence, students will complete <u>two</u> courses in either practice or program evaluation. The first course in the sequence will introduce the knowledge and skill required to complete practice or program evaluations and the second course will give students the opportunity to conduct practice or program evaluation projects. The applied courses (SWK 7402 or SWK 7404) will serve as the capstone requirement for the program.</p>	SWK 7401 - Evaluating Social Work Practice SWK 7402 - Applied Practice Evaluation SWK 7403 - Evaluating Social Work Programs & Policies SWK 7404 - Applied Program & Policy Evaluation
5. Field Education & Field Seminars	<p>Students are required to complete 1008 hours (720 hours for ASAP students) in an approved field placement to graduate with an MSW. The foundation field practicum provides a generalist introduction to social work practice and the advanced field practicum allows students to develop specific skills and knowledge in a particular practice area. The advanced placement will coincide with the student’s primary practice area specialization. The field practicum is supported by the field seminars that are designed to address specific field related issues and to better prepare students to benefit from the field practicum.</p>	SWK 6188 – Foundation Field Seminar SWK 6189 – 1st Year Field Practicum SWK 7188 – Advanced Field Seminar SWK 7189 – 2nd Year Field Practicum
6. Electives	<p>Electives are designed to supplement the core and advanced MSW curriculum. Typically students will take <u>three</u> elective courses.</p> <p>a. <u>Special Elective Tracks</u> <i>School Social Work</i> (3 required electives to complete School Social Work Program) <i>Child Welfare</i> (2 required electives to fulfill Title IV-E University Partnership Program)</p> <p>b. <u>General electives</u></p>	<p><u>BSSW & MSW Electives</u> SWK 5001: Writing for Agency Practice SWK 5002: AIDS: Facts and Issues SWK 5003: AIDS: Psychosocial Aspects of HIV/AIDS SWK 5004: International Social Work SWK 5005: Human Trafficking SWK 5006: Sexualities, Diversity & Social Work SWK 5007: Child Welfare I (required for UPP) SWK 5008: Child Welfare II(required for UPP) SWK 5009: Family Caregiving: Contemporary Issues, Programs & Policies SWK 5010: Women & Aging: International Perspective SWK 5011: Loss & Grief: A SW Practice Perspective SWK 5012: Social Work Approaches to Conflict Resolution SWK 5013: Integrative Body-Mind-Spirit SWK 5014: Juvenile Delinquency and Correctional Practice in Social Work SWK 5015: Law and Social Work SWK 5016: Clinical Social Work Practice with LGBTQ Individuals, Couples, and Families SWK 5017: Social Work Practice in the Field of Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities (IDD) SW 5798: Study Abroad</p> <p><u>MSW Electives</u> SW 7702: Research Issues in Gerontology (part of Gerontology Certificate program) SWK 7703: Clinical Social Work Practice with Older Adults (part of Gerontology Certificate program) SWK 7704: Community Youth Development SWK 7717: Interdisciplinary Seminar on Developmental Disabilities SWK 7718: Interdisciplinary Seminar on Autism Spectrum Disorders SWK 7193: Individual Studies SWK 7194: Group Studies SWK 7999: Thesis Research</p>