

SOCIAL WORK

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Capital's social work program adheres to the principle that education for social work proceeds from a common core of values and knowledge incorporated into practice. Our goal is to bring graduates into the profession who are able to make responsible decisions in a rapidly changing society.

CAREERS AND PLACEMENT

Our graduates are successful in finding work soon after graduation, and some are employed at the agency where their field placement occurred. The social work program prepares graduates for work in various places, including mental health clinics, public welfare agencies, courts, correctional institutions, child and family services, the Peace Corps, schools, hospitals, substance use treatment centers, and vocational and rehabilitation centers.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

A two-semester field practicum experience is required during the senior year. We have strong ties to agencies that provide students with rich field placements in a variety of areas. Students are encouraged to participate actively with faculty, administration, and local community representatives in policy formation, as well as program and curriculum development and assessment. Opportunities also exist to study abroad internationally.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students may declare a social work major, but a formal admission process into the BSW program is required before the end of the sophomore year. All prerequisite and Signature Learning courses must be met before beginning field education. Field Education application and approval is required before the field placement process begins. A minimum of 2.5 GPA is required for social work majors and nothing below a C is required for psychology, sociology, research courses, and all social work courses, including those transferred in as equivalent courses. A minimum of 124 semester hours is required for a bachelor's degree in social work.

AS A GRADUATE, YOU WILL BE PREPARED TO:

- Demonstrate ethical and professional behavior
- Engage diversity in practice
- Advance human rights and social, economic, and environmental justice
- Engage in practice-informed research and research-informed practice
- Engage in policy practice
- Assess, intervene, engage, and evaluate practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities

WHAT ARE OUR GRADS DOING NOW?

- Mental/Behavioral Health
- Child/Family Services
- Adolescent Services
- Community Outreach
- Gerontology
- International Social Work
- Addiction Treatment
- Case Management
- Medical Social Work
- Military Social Work
- Hospice
- Social Work in Higher Education
- Advocacy/Social Justice
- Public Service

Four-Year Sample Schedule of a Social Work Major

First Year Fall

17 credit hours
College Reading & Writing - 3
General Psychology - 3
First Year Seminar - 3
Elective - 4
Elective - 4

Second Year Fall

17 credit hours
Fine Arts - 3
Science, with lab - 4
Math - 3
Religious Foundations - 3
Elective - 4

Third Year Fall

15 credit hours
Humanities - 3
Human Behavior in
Social Environment I - 4
Contemporary Social
Welfare Programs - 4
Social Science Research
Methods - 4

Fourth Year Fall

14 credit hours
Social Work Practice II - 4
Field Education I - 6
Field Education
Seminar I - 4

First Year Spring

16 credit hours
Oral Communication - 3
Principles of Sociology - 3
Intro to Social Work &
Social Welfare - 4
Ethics - 3
Elective - 3

Second Year Spring

16 credit hours
Social Science Statistics - 4
Diversity in a Global
Society - 4
Science & Technology - 2
Elective - 3
Elective - 3

Third Year Spring

15 credit hours
Human Behavior in
Social Environment II - 4
Social Welfare Policy - 4
Social Work Practice I - 4
Global Systems - 3

Fourth Year Spring

14 credit hours
Social Work Practice III - 4
Field Education II - 6
Field Education
Seminar II - 4

All courses subject to availability and advisor approval. All undergraduates must demonstrate that Signature Learning goals have been met.



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