

Social Work

The mission of the MSW program is to prepare students for practice that is sensitive to the social, economic, cultural, demographic and political contexts that shape our state and beyond. Within a framework emphasizing professional ethics, social justice, diversity, strengths and community engagement, the Department seeks to equip students for leadership roles and effective practice.

Master's Degree Requirements

The MSW Program provides two options: The Traditional 60-credit program, and the 39-credit Advanced Standing Program, which is designed for BSW graduates only.

We do not offer a part-time curriculum at this time.

Other Relevant Information

The MSW program is accredited by The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

Social Work Program Website (<https://socialwork.chass.ncsu.edu/academics/msw/>)

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree (any major) from an accredited liberal arts college or university.
- GPA of 3.0 or higher for the last 60 hours of academic work. Students with a GPA less than 3.0 but greater than 2.5 for the last 60 hours of academic course work must have official Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) scores forwarded to the Graduate School.
- Liberal arts coursework in the social sciences, humanities, biology, and statistics.
 - Four courses in the social sciences (e.g. anthropology, economics, ethnic studies, political science, psychology, social work, sociology), with a grade of C or better.
 - Three courses in the humanities (e.g. comparative religions, history, linguistics, literature, modern or classic languages, philosophy and ethics, visual and performing arts), with a grade of C or better.
 - A biology and a statistics course, with a grade of C or better.
- A variety of life and work experience in human services, paid or volunteer. Note: In accordance with the CSWE standards, students cannot receive academic credit based on life and work experience.

Additional Requirements for Advanced Standing

In addition to the above admissions requirements, the following applies to Advanced Standing applicants:

- Applicants with a BSW degree from an accredited program and a GPA of at least 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) for the last 60 credit hours of academic work are eligible to apply for Advanced Standing status. Students with a GPA less than 3.5 but greater than 2.5 for the last 60 hours of academic course work must have official Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) scores forwarded to the Graduate School.

- BSW students who graduate prior to the first semester of Advanced Standing coursework will be considered for admission.
- Applicants must have grades of "B" or better in all social work courses.
- One of three references must be from Field/Task Supervisor or Field Director/Liaison.

Applicant Information

- **Delivery Method:** On-Campus
- **Entrance Exam:** None
- **Interview Required:** None

Application Deadlines

- **Fall:** January 15 (Priority Deadline)

Degrees

- Social Work (MR) (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/graduate/humanities-social-sciences/social-work/social-work-mr/>)

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