



## MSW Curriculum at a Glance

### Three Year Blended MSW Program

YEAR 1		
FALL	SPRING	SUMMER
<b>Generalist curriculum</b>		
[502] Human Behavior and the Social Environment	[507] Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis	[500] Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups)
[506] Diversity and Oppression	[504] Social Welfare Policy and Services I	Practicum 1 (1 credit) <b>11.25 hrs/wk</b>
		Practicum Skills Seminar (1 credit), meets synchronously 4x/semester
		Field Orientation/Seminar (required, no credit)

YEAR 2		
FALL	SPRING	SUMMER
		<b>Specialized Curriculum begins</b>
[501] Practice with Organizations and Communities)	General Elective* (Generalist Level)	[595] Evaluation of Social Work Practice and Programs
[505] Methods of Social Work Research	General Elective* (Generalist Level)	Practicum 4 (1.5 credits) <b>13.5 hrs/wk</b>
Practicum 2 (1 credits)* <b>11.25 hrs/wk</b> <i>*2 credits for students starting Fall 2023</i>	Practicum 3 (2 credits) <b>11.25 hrs/wk</b>	
Reflective Practice Seminar (1 credit)* <i>*For students starting Fall 2024</i>		

YEAR 3		
FALL	SPRING	SUMMER
[511] Clinical Social Work 1 or [535] Management Practice and Theory (On Campus)	[512] Clinical Social Work II (On Campus) or [536] Strategic Planning (On Campus)	Advanced Contemporary Policy Requirement
Advanced Practice Distribution Requirement	Elective*	Elective*
Practicum 5 (1.5 credits) <b>13.5 hrs/wk</b>	Practicum 6 (1.5 credits) <b>13.5 hrs/wk</b>	Practicum 7 (1.5 credits) <b>13.5 hrs/wk</b>

\*Course offerings may differ based on availability and demand.



## Practicum Learning Curricular Requirements

Students in the blended MSW program complete 1,125 hours of practicum during the program, 450 in the first three semesters of placement (generalist practicum 1, 2 and 3) and 675 in the following four semesters of placement (specialized practicum 4, 5, 6, and 7) The schedules are as follows:

	Hours per Week	# of Weeks	Term	Total Hours
Generalist	11.25	10	Summer	112.5
	11.25	15	Fall	168.75
	11.25	15	Spring	168.75
	Total – Generalist			450
Specialized	13.5	10	Summer	135
	13.5	15	Fall	202.5
	13.5	15	Spring	202.5
	13.5	10	Summer	135
	Total – Specialized			675

*Courses must be taken in the above sequence and practicum hours must be completed in the above sequence.* Only after successful completion of the generalist courses, generalist practicum hours and the statistics requirement, can students begin the specialized curriculum. **Placements cannot be provided for evening and weekends only. It is the responsibility of the student to have the hours available to do the practicum, Monday –Friday during the business day (9-5).** There may be placements that offer some weekend and evening hours, but this cannot be guaranteed.

### Generalist Curriculum

All students, except those with baccalaureate degrees from programs accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, are required to take all of the generalist courses. These courses contain a body of knowledge, values, and skills essential for social work practice. This common base is transferable among settings, population groups, and problem areas. The generalist curriculum consists of courses in generalist social work practice with corresponding field instruction, human behavior and the social environment, clinical assessment & diagnosis, introductory social work research methods, social welfare policy and services, and a course focused on diversity and oppression. Successful completion of the generalist program is required before beginning the specialized curriculum.

### Specialized Curriculum

The specialized curriculum consists of a specialization in a method of either advanced clinical practice or management and policy, an advanced research course, advanced field instruction, and electives. Only after successful completion of the generalist courses and the statistics requirement can students begin the specialized curriculum.

### On-campus/Online course requirements

Students in the Blended program complete both online and on-campus course work during their time in the program.

On-campus course requirements: In the third semester, students are required to take the Practicum Skills Seminar on-campus – this seminar will meet 4 times via video conferencing during the Summer semester and counts toward practicum hours. Practicum seminar sections will be offered at different times/days (evening/weekend options will

be available; students will select one section) and will require 4 live sessions, each class will meet for approximately 3 hours. Starting Fall 2025, students will also participate in a Reflective Practicum Seminar, which will require 5 live/synchronous online sessions.

The advanced practice courses in Year 3 (Clinical SW I/II or Management Practice Theory/Strategic Planning) are required to be taken on-campus. Students may choose to take other courses in the curriculum on-campus but will be guaranteed a spot in online course sections for required courses. Course options for online electives, distribution requirements and policy courses may vary based on availability and demand.

For students pursuing certificate programs, course requirements may necessitate on-campus course options instead of the online electives that are offered.