

INTENSIVE WEEKEND PROGRAM

Curriculum at a Glance

Advanced Standing, 39 Credits

Students who have attained a BSW from an accredited undergraduate social work program are admitted with advanced standing. Up to 21 credits representing the generalist curriculum are transferred in towards the MSW. Advanced standing students are required to take Clinical Assessment & Diagnosis and 9 credits of Field. Order of courses may change according to the needs of the program and particular cohorts. However, Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis, Clinical Social Work 1 and 2 are always in the designated semester.

Advanced Standing Year 1								
Courses	FALL	Course dates	Courses	SPRING	Course dates	Courses	SUMMER	Course dates
Course 1	Writing for Social Workers – Self Study Field Orientation	July - Aug-Sept	Course 1	[tbd] Advanced Contemporary Policy Distr.	Jan - Feb	Course 1	CSW Distribution Requirement	May-June
Course 2	[507] Clinical Assessment & Diagnosis AND [tbd] Elective	Nov –Dec	Course 2	[511] Clinical Social Work I	Mar – April	Course 2	[596] Supervision & HR Management or other elective)	July-Aug
Practicum	[683] Clinical Field Practicum AS, Pt. 1 (1.5 credits) 12hrs/wk	Sept-Dec	Practicum	[685] Clinical Field Practicum AS, Pt. 2 (1.5 credits) 12hrs/wk	Jan- May	Practicum	[624] Clinical Field Practicum 3 (1.5 credits) 12hrs/wk	May-Aug
Fall Credits – 4.5 credits			Spring Credits – 7.5 credits			Summer Credits – 7.5 credits		
Advanced Standing Year 2								
Course 1	[595] Methods of Social Work Research CSW Distribution Requirement [or elective]	Sept –Oct	Course 1	[tbd] Prescribed Elective	Jan - Feb			
Course 2	[512] Clinical Social Work 2	Nov –Dec	Course 2	[tbd] Prescribed Elective	Mar – April			
Practicum	[629] Clinical Field Practicum 4 (1.5 credits) 12hrs/wk	Sept-Dec	Practicum	[614] Advanced standing final practicum (3 credits) 12hrs/wk	Jan- May			
Fall Credits – 7.5 credits			Spring Credits - 9 credits					

- Courses in the Intensive Weekend program are sequential, one course following another. There is some overlap between courses.
- Classes meet one weekend a month, Saturday and Sunday, from 9am – 5pm. Students prepare online the month preceding class and between class meetings. Preparation includes a synchronous online class, usually held on a Saturday morning each month, as well as asynchronous online Discussions and assignments. *Pandemic modifications as determined will be posted.*
- Although students are provided with a calendar of class dates at the start of the program, the order of courses may change based on the needs of the program or students.
- Field hours are integrated with academic courses: for advanced standing students, 12 hours/week

The 39 credit Advanced Standing MSW program encompasses two Distribution Requirements and four electives from the categories below. Distribution courses and electives are assigned to each cohort and informed by student interests. The following courses have historically been offered in the Intensive Weekend program:

Policy Distribution Requirements

- Advanced Contemporary Policy: Children and Adolescents
- Advanced Contemporary Policy: Adult Mental Health
- Advanced Contemporary Policy: Economic Security for Families and Communities

Clinical Social Work Distribution Requirements

- CSW: Children
- CSW: Adolescents
- CSW: Families
- CSW: Mental Health
- CSW: Survivors of Abuse and Trauma

Other Electives

- Solution Focused Therapy
- Play Therapy
- Chronic Illness and Disability
- Supervision and Human Resource Management
- Theories of Management and Strategic Planning

Additional Electives

- Adolescence: Understanding Risk and Resilience
- Social Work with Immigrants and Refugees
- Understanding Violence and Abuse in Adulthood
- Understanding Violence and Abuse in Childhood
- Social work with loss across the lifespan
- Understanding Addictive Behaviors