

Master of Social Work, M.S.W.

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Requirements

The Master of Social Work (MSW) at UVU is designed to educate and prepare students for a career at the next level in the social work profession. The MSW will prepare students to become a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) qualifying them for a wider range of employment opportunities (mental health, medical social work, child welfare, etc.) working with various populations (children, adolescents, adults, elderly, disabled, etc.). The MSW Program will have three different specializations: Mental Health, Addictions (including substance and non-substance addictions, i.e. pornography, gambling, painkillers, etc.), and Engaging with Diverse Populations.

Total Program Credits: 64

| Matriculation Requirements | |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application for admission to graduate program with application fee by the established deadline. 2. Submit official transcripts from all universities attended. 3. A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college/university, a nationally accredited program, or the international equivalent. 4. A 3.0 cumulative undergraduate GPA or a 3.0 GPA calculated on the last 60 semester hours (90 quarter hours) of undergraduate work. 5. For international students whose native language is not English, submit official TOEFL or IELTS band scores. A TOEFL score of 80 iBT (550 pBT) or higher, or an IELTS band score of 6.5 or higher within the past two years is required. 6. International students must also meet all US government requirements for international students. 7. The university uses a selective admissions process for admitting students to graduate programs. Meeting minimum admissions criteria does not guarantee admission to the graduate program or to the University as a graduate student. | |
| Discipline Core Requirements: | 58 Credits |
| Social Work Core | |
| Complete the following: | |
| SW 6000 | Social Work Practice I--Generalist Practice with Individuals 3 |
| SW 6020 | Social Work Practice II-Generalist Practice with Families and Groups 3 |
| SW 6250 | Macro Systems and Social Impact 3 |
| SW 6030 | Social Work Practice III--Advanced Practice with Individuals 3 |
| SW 6040 | Social Work Practice IV--Advanced Practice with Families and Groups 3 |
| SW 6050 | Social Work Practice IV--Advanced Practice with Organizations and Communities 3 |
| SW 6200 | Human Behavior and the Social Environment 3 |
| SW 6630 | Mental Health Assessment in Social Work Practice 3 |
| SW 6300 | Social Welfare Policy and Analysis 3 |
| SW 6320 | Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations 3 |

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| SW 6400 | Social Work Research Methods | 3 |
| SW 6500 | Social Work Practice with Substance Related and Addictive Disorders | 3 |
| SW 6950 | Advanced Applied Research--MSW Capstone | 3 |
| Field Practicum Requirement | | |
| Complete the following: | | |
| SW 6810 | Integrative Seminar I | 1 |
| and SW 6910 | Foundation Field Practicum I | 3 |
| SW 6820 | Integrative Seminar II | 1 |
| and SW 6920 | Foundation Field Practicum II | 4 |
| SW 6830 | Integrative Seminar III | 1 |
| and SW 6930 | Advanced Field Practicum I | 4 |
| SW 6840 | Integrative Seminar IV | 1 |
| and SW 6940 | Advanced Field Practicum II | 4 |
| Elective Requirements: | | 6 Credits |
| Complete 6 credits from the following | | 6 |
| SW 6530 | Psychopharmacology (3) | |
| SW 6610 | Spirituality in Social Work (3) | |
| SW 6620 | Family Therapy (3) | |
| SW 6640 | Crisis Intervention (3) | |
| SW 6650 | Couples Therapy (3) | |
| SW 6660 | Family Violence Across the Lifespan (3) | |
| SW 6670 | Post Traumatic Growth--Practice and Clinical Considerations (3) | |
| SW 679R | Special Topics in Social Work Practice | |
| SW 6945 | Supplemental Field Practicum (1-4) | |
| or | other departmental approved courses | |

Graduation Requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 64 semester credits required in the Master of Social Work degree.
2. A minimum of two-thirds of graduate degree credit hours must be completed at Utah Valley University.
3. Overall cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher in Master of Social Work courses.
4. A grade of "C" or higher required for all courses used to satisfy graduation requirement.
5. Graduate coursework shall be completed within a six-year period.
6. Graduate credits accepted from another regionally accredited institution or equivalent shall have been completed within four years of the graduate student's matriculation into the graduate program and cannot be older than six years at the time of graduate with a master's degree or graduate certificate from the University.

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Graduation Plan

This graduation plan is a sample plan and is intended to be a guide. Your specific plan may differ based on your Math and English placement and/or transfer credits applied. You are encouraged to meet with an advisor and set up an individualized graduation plan in [Wolverine Track](#).

| Semester 1 | Course Title | Credit Hours |
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| SW 6000 | Social Work Practice I--Generalist Practice with Individuals | 3 |
| SW 6200 | Human Behavior and the Social Environment | 3 |
| SW 6810 | Integrative Seminar I | 1 |
| SW 6250 | Macro Systems and Social Impact | 3 |
| SW 6910 | Foundation Field Practicum I | 3 |
| SW 6630 | Mental Health Assessment in Social Work Practice | 3 |
| | Semester total: | 16 |
| Semester 2 | Course Title | Credit Hours |
| SW 6020 | Social Work Practice II-Generalist Practice with Families and Groups | 3 |
| SW 6300 | Social Welfare Policy and Analysis | 3 |
| SW 6400 | Social Work Research Methods | 3 |
| SW 6320 | Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations | 3 |
| SW 6820 | Integrative Seminar II | 1 |
| SW 6920 | Foundation Field Practicum II | 4 |
| | Semester total: | 17 |
| Semester 3 | Course Title | Credit Hours |
| SW 6030 | Social Work Practice III-Advanced Practice with Individuals | 3 |
| SW 6500 | Social Work Practice with Substance Related and Addictive Disorders | 3 |
| SW 6040 | Social Work Practice IV--Advanced Practice with Families and Groups | 3 |
| SW 6830 | Integrative Seminar III | 1 |
| SW 6930 | Advanced Field Practicum I | 4 |
| Elective | | 3 |
| | Semester total: | 17 |
| Semester 4 | Course Title | Credit Hours |
| SW 6050 | Social Work Practice IV--Advanced Practice with Organizations and Communities | 3 |
| SW 6950 | Advanced Applied Research--MSW Capstone | 3 |
| SW 6840 | Integrative Seminar IV | 1 |
| SW 6940 | Advanced Field Practicum II | 4 |
| Elective | | 3 |
| | Semester total: | 14 |
| | Degree total: | 64 |