

GRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE

The master of social work degree prepares social workers for such areas as mental health, family service, public welfare, child welfare, child guidance, physical health, medical and hospital social services programs, rehabilitative social work, social work in correctional programs, family planning, social administration, social welfare planning, school social work, programs for the aging, social work in minority communities, social work education, drug abuse.

The graduate program requires two years of full-time enrollment. The first-year core curriculum provides generic training. In the second year, students select an area of specialization and one of two practice concentrations, either micro practice (clinical), which deals with small social systems (individual, family, small groups) or macro practice, which is concerned with large social systems (communities, formal organizations). Both years include concurrent classroom study and an intensive practicum. All degree students are required to complete an individual thesis or an individual or group research project.

Eligibility for admission to the program is based on completion of a bachelor's degree, preferably in a social welfare major or with substantial preparation in the social sciences and psychology (although other patterns may be permitted); an acceptable score on the Graduate Record Examination Aptitude Test; specified grade point average at the undergraduate level; and academic and personal suitability for the field as determined by social work faculty. Admitted applicants with an undergraduate degree in social welfare or social work from an accredited program may qualify for advanced standing of up to one year.

For further information, consult the Dean, School of Social Work. For general requirements see *School of Graduate Studies*. For detailed information about the graduate program, see the *Graduate Bulletin*, available in the Office of the School of Graduate Studies.

SEQUENCE OF GRADUATE COURSES FOR MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE

1st Semester (16 units): S Wrk 200, 223, 233, 250 (4 units), 291 (3 units)

2nd Semester (15 units): S Wrk 224, 234, 250 (4 units), 270T (3 units), 292 (2 units)

3rd Semester (15-16 units): S Wrk 251 (5 units), 271T (3 units), 290 (2 units), and either 297 (2 units) or 299 (3 units); in addition, "micro" students take 225 (3 units) and "macro" students take 235 (3 units).

4th Semester (14-15 units): S Wrk 251 (5 units), 272T (2 units), 290 (1 unit), either 297 (2 units) or 299 (3 units); in addition, "micro" students take two seminars of 226T (2 units) and "macro" students take two of 236T (2 units).

GRADUATE COURSES

SOCIAL WORK (S Wrk)

Note: Admission to the MSW program is prerequisite to all graduate courses unless otherwise stated. Exceptions may be authorized by the Dean.

200. Seminar in Social Welfare Policy and Services (3)

Social work philosophy, values and ethics; the evolving, changing relationship of social work and social welfare to changing socio-economic and political climate; social welfare as a social institution, evolving from aspects of social change and social responsibility.

223. Seminar in Social Work Practice (Micro) (3) (Former S Wrk 220)

Introduction to the basic concepts and principles of social work practice with individuals, families and small groups, including knowledge of the growth processes and personality development; relationship of social functioning to native endowment, environment, and culture.

224. Seminar in Social Work Practice (Micro) (3) (Former S Wrk 221)

Prerequisite: S Wrk 223. Continued study of the methods of intervention appropriate to individuals, families and small groups whose life situations reflect environmental, interpersonal or intrapersonal stresses.