# Master of Social Work

## Required Foundation Curriculum

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<td>SOW 5105</td>
<td>Human Behavior in the Social Environment</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This foundation year class presents a bio-psycho-socio-spiritual and ecosystems framework that introduces students to a macro, mezzo, and micro systems perspective.</td>
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<td>SOW 5106</td>
<td>Human Behavior in Organizations &amp; Communities</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This is the second course in the HBSE sequence. The course deals with Human Behavior in Organizations and Communities. The course familiarizes students with the intervention strategies of community organization.</td>
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<td>SOW 5218</td>
<td>Analysis of Social Service Policy</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This course will examine social work as a policy-based profession and how social welfare policy is a central concern to the social work profession.</td>
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<td>SOW 5305</td>
<td>Generalist Practice I</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This is the first course in a two-course sequence which covers generalist social work practice. This course covers basic generalist practice skills in the beginning phase of the helping process with individuals and families.</td>
<td>Prerequisite: SOW 5305</td>
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<tr>
<td>SOW 5324</td>
<td>Generalist Practice II</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This is the second course in the Generalist Practice sequence. This course continues to build the generalist skills, of practice with individuals, families, and groups, with the addition of community practice concepts.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SOW 5404</td>
<td>MSW Research Foundations</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>An introduction to research methodology in the evaluation of social work practice and program evaluation.</td>
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<td>SOW 5532</td>
<td>Foundation Year Field Instruction and Integrative Seminar I</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This course is designed to integrate the foundation curriculum course content and field education experience utilizing a generalist approach. Agency based casework experiences and seminar discussions provide an opportunity to gain professional and peer feedback regarding acquisition of generalist practice skills. Focus will include critical thinking skills regarding the application of social work knowledge to the solution of client problems. Issues related to social work values and ethics, diversity, social and economic justice, populations-at risk, HBSE, social welfare policy and services, practice, and research are examined within the context of the student's field education experience.</td>
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<td>SOW 5629</td>
<td>MSW Human Diversity and Social Justice</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This course examines the impact of social, economic, and political environments on diverse populations specifically race, gender, age, ethnicity, social class, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, and physical and mental ability.</td>
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<td>SOW 5757</td>
<td>The History, Philosophy, and Theory of Social Work Practice</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This course examines the current structure of social welfare programs in the United States, their historical evolution, and the role ideological, political, economic, and social forces have played in the development of the social welfare system and its present character focusing on social and economic injustice in the United States.</td>
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<td>SOW 6125</td>
<td>Psychopathology for Social Work</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This course addresses patterns of human behavior and psychosocial functioning commonly conceptualized as psychopathology. The course addresses such concepts as function, mental health, mental illness, normality and abnormality.</td>
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<td>SOW 6432</td>
<td>Evaluation of Social Work Practice</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>The second of two required courses in the social work practice in research sequence. This advanced curriculum course builds on the knowledge and skills acquired in the foundation research course. The focus of this course is on the advanced skills necessary to effectively evaluate practice..</td>
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<td>SOW 6535</td>
<td>Advanced Year Field Instruction and Integrative Seminar I</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Integrates theoretical models and concepts with practical experience gained in concurrent field education. Integrates skills and knowledge acquired through the entire social work curriculum. Material and Supply Fee will be assessed.</td>
<td>Prerequisite: SOW 6125</td>
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<td>SOW 6536</td>
<td>Advanced Year Field Instruction and Integrative Seminar II</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This is the second of two advanced master's level field internship and integrative seminars. Assists social work graduate students in integrating theoretical models and concepts with practical experience gained in concurrent field education.</td>
<td>Prerequisite: SOW 6535 Corequisite: SOW 6548</td>
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<tr>
<td>SOW 6548</td>
<td>Advanced Seminar in Clinical Social Work Practice</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Capstone course in clinical-community social work practice. Student analysis of practice with individuals, families, and group through a written and oral presentation of case material.</td>
<td>Corequisite: SOW 6536</td>
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<td>SOW 6618</td>
<td>Clinical Practice with Individuals</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>This course builds on the knowledge base of generalist social work practice and expands and deepens that base. The course emphasizes advanced assessment of clients across the life span, trauma assessment, and beginning evaluation of practice skills.</td>
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<td>SOW 6619</td>
<td>Clinical Practice with Families</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Clinical decision-making and advanced clinical interventions by building on a generalist approach to social work practice. Utilizes the clinical community concentration prerequisites to examine normal development and psychopathology as a foundation for advanced practice.</td>
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<td>SOW 6846</td>
<td>Clinical Practice with Groups</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>The advanced social work practitioner is required to demonstrate group skills in a wide variety of practice situations. The focus of this course is on the design and implementation of group treatment services for at risk populations of varying ages, social situations and composition.</td>
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