

Graduate Council Meeting

March 8, 2011 @ 3:30 pm

Present: Drs. Sustich, Skorga (Schmidt), Holman, Traylor, Zeng, Christenberry, Cliff, McKay, Risch, and McLean. Also present: Ms. Finch, Welch and McCann

Social Work Program Description Changes **APPROVED**

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<p>2. Proposed Change Edits to MSW Program Description</p>
<p>3. Effective Date February 16, 2011 March 1, 2011</p>
<p>4. Justification Revised Program Requirements</p>

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MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

The Master of Social Work (MSW) will be accredited by ~~is completing the third of four stages of full accreditation from the council on social work~~ Council on Social Work Education. The final review of benchmark III and the final site visit are currently pending.

This MSW offers one concentration which is ~~advanced generalist practice with a rural-based clinical~~ social work focus ~~practice~~. ~~Advanced generalist skills are applied to practice within the rural context and with people having a rural lifestyle.~~ ~~Students learn the fundamental knowledge, skills, and ethics that guide social work practice and the populations traditionally served by the profession.~~ Students are prepared to acknowledge and utilize the less formal social exchange between people and systems that exist in rural communities. Students learn how to identify and develop resources, and how to use natural helping networks. ~~Students are expected to employ a broad range of approaches, theories and models in their practice and to develop skills that enable them to perform multiple roles in the helping process.~~ Additionally, students learn the importance of examining issues of diversity; social work values and ethics; how to identify, prevent and interrupt social and economic injustice; and the importance of community empowerment. ~~As an accredited program graduates will be able to practice in a variety of agencies and organizations and will be able to be licensed at the masters' level in the state of Arkansas.~~

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the to the MSW program must possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. Along with the undergraduate degree, ~~students will chose~~ [choose] from two program choices.

Program choices:

1. ~~Foundation Regular Standing Curriculum~~: This program is for applicants who received their bachelor's degree in any discipline, who graduated from an accredited BSW program more than five years ago and any other student who does not meet requirements for the ~~Advanced Curriculum~~ program. ~~All students admitted to this option must successfully complete the Foundation Curriculum and the Advanced Curriculum.~~
2. ~~Advanced standing Curriculum~~: Available only to applicants ~~to applicants~~ who have received a BSW ~~degree within the last five years~~ from a social work program that is accredited by CSWE ~~within the last five years~~.
[Does this mean the degree within the last 5 years or the program has to have been accredited by CSWE within last 5 years?]

Application Requirements

1. Admission to Arkansas ~~State University Graduate School~~.
2. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (official transcripts must be provided).
3. ~~For admission to the Foundation Curriculum, students must have a A-~~ cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale for the last 60 credit hours of your undergraduate degree.
4. For admission to the ~~Advanced standing Curriculum~~ program, ~~students you~~ must have a 3.2 or better in ~~the last 60 credit hours of your the BSW undergraduate degree.~~ social work major.
5. Three references from individuals who can objectively assess ~~your the student's~~ potential for graduate work (i.e., Field Supervisor, Field Liaison, Faculty, Co-worker, Other Professional).
6. Prerequisites include a grade of "C" or better in : American Government, Human Biology, Basic Sociology, Statistics, Basic Psychology, ~~and Introduction to Social Work~~.
7. Computer literacy demonstrated through prior course work (Web-based classes or Computer Class).
8. A personal statement and ~~current~~ resume.
9. 750 GRE (combined verbal and quantitative) or 386 MAT scores.

Course Requirements

Minimum hours required for this program:

~~30~~ 33 graduate course hours is required for the ~~Advanced Standing program Curriculum~~
60 graduate course hours is required for the ~~Regular Foundation Standing program Curriculum~~
~~Advanced standing students will be given credit for 24 credit hours of undergraduate~~

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social work course taken in a CSWE-accredited program toward the required 51 Credit hours in the graduate program. The 6 hours of summer work plus the 24 credit hours of the second year program will complete the 30 credit hours required of advanced standing students

Deadline for Receiving Applications

Applications and all material pertaining to applying for the MSW Program must be received no later than April 15. The admission period will be the first summer term of summer school for that year.

Regular Foundation Curriculum Required Courses (27 semester hours)

SW5003, Human Behavior and the Social Environment I
SW5333, Human Behavior and the Social Environment II (Prerequisite SW5003)
SW5023, Foundations of Social Work Practice I
SW5043, Foundations of Social Work Practice II (Prerequisite SW5023)
SW5053, Social Welfare Policy and Services
SW5063, Social Justice and Diversity

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3 hours of Social Work Graduate Electives

SW5803, Full-time Foundation Field I
SW5813, Full-time Foundation Field II (Prerequisite SW5803)
Or
SW5802, Part-time Foundation Field I
SW5812, Part-time Foundation Field II (Prerequisite SW5802)
SW5822, Part-time Foundation Field III (Prerequisite SW5812)

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Advanced Curriculum Required Courses (33 semester hours)

SW6003, Psychopathology for Social Workers
SW6013, Social Work Ethics
SW6023, Social Work Evaluation and Research
SW6033, Clinical Practice with Individual
SW6043, Clinical Practice with Families
SW6053, Clinical Practice with Groups
SW6063, Social Work Policy Analysis
SW6073, Integrative Research Project

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3 hours of Social Work Graduate Electives

SW6803, Full-time Advanced Field I
SW6813, Full-time Advanced Field II (Prerequisite SW6803)
Or
SW6821, Part-time Advanced Field I
SW6822, Part-time Advanced Field II (Prerequisite SW6821)
SW6831, Part-time Advanced Field III (Prerequisite SW6822)
SW6832, Part-time Advanced Field IV (Prerequisite SW6831)

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Required Elective Course options

~~Foundation Curriculum requires 6 hours of Social Work Graduate Electives~~

~~Advanced Curriculum requires 3 hours of Social Work Graduate Electives~~

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SW5203, Introduction to Domestic Violence
SW5213, Crisis Intervention
SW5223, Rural Social Work
SW5323, Substance Abuse: Intervention and Treatment
SW5343, Child Abuse and Neglect

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SW5353, Mediation in Social Work

SW5363, Social Work Practice in Schools

SW6203, Clinical Supervision

SW6323, Clinical Interventions with Substance Abusers

SW6343, Clinical Interventions with Children

Minimum hours required for this program is: 33