

## **Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work with specialization in Administration of Social Programs and Social Policy**

**Credits: 45**

### **Specific Program Admission Requirements**

1. A Minimum graduate GPA of 3.30
2. A master's degree in social work or another discipline.
3. Curriculum Vitae with all of the postsecondary schools, GPA for each institution, employment history, publications, conference presentations, awards/grants received, professional licenses, and professional organizations memberships.
4. An Essay or a sample of a written academic work, published article with literature review or an essay with literature review, about research interests related to social justice. The written sample must be double-spaced and 10 pages maximum.
5. An interview.

### **Program Description**

The program provides preparation and development for professionals in advanced social work administration practice in social change and innovation for institutions, community leaders, and entrepreneurs. The student will develop characteristics of both practitioners and scholars by applying practical solutions to large-scale social challenges that directly affect vulnerable, marginalized or otherwise disadvantaged populations. The graduate student will become an effective social change leader through rigorous inquiry and the use of methodological tools associated with leading, managing, social policy integration, innovation and change. The graduates will have competencies that would allow them to seek management or executive leadership positions that advance their careers in social work, human services, and social policymaking scenarios.

### **Program Outcomes**

1. Demonstrate Ethical and Professional Behavior Competency
2. Engage Diversity and Difference in Practice
3. Advance Human Rights and Social, Economic, and Environmental Justice Competency
4. Engage in Practice-informed Research and Research-informed Practice
5. Engage in Policy Practice
6. Engage with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities
7. Assess Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities
8. Intervene with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities
9. Evaluate Practice with Individuals, Families, Groups, Organizations, and Communities
10. Design and development of effective social programs

Program sequence will be available at the time of enrollment.

The language of instruction and program delivery modality are subject to availability.



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Core/Professional Courses			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
SWGR 801	Philosophical Foundations of Social Work	3	
SWGR 802	Justice and Social Policy	3	
SWGR 803	Social Policy and Organizational Behavior in North and Latin America	3	SWGR 802
SWGR 804	Social Work Theory and Practice: Programs Administration and Social Policy	3	SWGR 801
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12</b>	
Specialization Courses			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
SWGR 820	Social Services Management	3	SWGR 801, SWGR 802, SWGR 803, SWGR 804
SWGR 821	Human Resources Management	3	SWGR 801, SWGR 802, SWGR 803, SWGR 804
SWGR 822	Management and Budgeting in Government and Social Organizations	3	SWGR 801, SWGR 802, SWGR 803, SWGR 804
SWGR 823	Executive Leadership: Models and Strategies	3	SWGR 801, SWGR 802, SWGR 803, SWGR 804
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12</b>	
Research Courses			
SWGR 811	Epistemology in Social Work Research	3	SWGR 801, SWGR 802, SWGR 803, SWGR 804
SWGR 812	Social Work Quantitative Research	3	SWGR 811
SWGR 813	Social Work Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research	3	SWGR 812
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>9</b>	
Guided Elective Courses (Select two courses – 6 credits)			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
SWGR 830	Compendium for Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families, Groups and Communities	3	
SWGR 831	Strategic Planning in Organizations and Community	3	SWGR 820
SWGR 832	Social Programs Evaluation: Theory and Practice	3	SWGR 813
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6</b>	
Comprehensive Exam and Dissertation			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
SWGR 840	Dissertation Seminar	3	SWGR 813, SWGR 820, SWGR 821, SWGR 822, SWGR 823, Co-req. SWGR 841
SWGR 841	Comprehensive Exam	0	Co-req. SWGR 840
SWGR 842	Doctoral Dissertation	3	SWGR 841
SWGR 843	Doctoral Dissertation Continuation*	3	SWGR 842
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6</b>	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>45</b>	

**Notes:**

1. A passing score on the Comprehensive Test is required prior to enrolling to SWGR 842.
2. This academic program requires IRB certification. For more information related to the process and requirements, please contact the Associate Dean of the Academic Division or refer to the Student Manual of your program, if applicable.
3. \*SWGR 843 is an optional course for those students requiring more time for the dissertation.

4. Students must comply with state and local education certification requirements for the degree, as applicable.
5. This program will not award transfer credits to students who have partially completed their degrees in other institutions.
6. Doctoral students admitted prior to spring 2023, who did not complete a statistics course at the graduate level, are required to enroll in an approved graduate statistics course prior to enrolling in doctoral research courses.
7. Graduation GPA: 3.00