

Master of Social Work

Credits: 54

Specific Program Admission Requirements

1. An earned bachelor's degree from an accredited institution.
2. An undergraduate cumulative GPA of at least 2.75.
3. An interview.
4. An essay.

Advanced Standing Program in the Master of Social Work- Additional Admission requirements

The Advanced Standing Program in the Master of Social Work has additional requirements. Students admitted are given, in all program options, up to 27 credit hours of advanced standing to BSW graduates that meet the following conditions:

1. Degree granted from a CSWE BSW accredited program.
2. A graduation GPA (Grade Point Average) of at least 3.00.
3. Social Work major courses passed with grade A or B.
4. Field Practice courses passed with a grade of A.
5. Having completed the baccalaureate degree within five years or less of requested admission.

If all five conditions are met, an evaluation of transfer credits will be conducted by the MSW Program director. The advanced standing could be awarded only to graduates holding degrees from baccalaureate social work programs accredited by CSWE, those recognized through its International Social Work Degree Recognition and Evaluation Services or covered under a memorandum of understanding with international social work accreditors across all program options. Courses will not be validated to students from programs not accredited by the CSWE.

For the MSW advanced standing program, 21 credits will be granted for the foundation courses of Social Work major, approved with A or B. Another 6 credits will be granted for generalist practice only if the candidate had a grade of A in the supervised practice at the bachelor's level, for a maximum of 27 credits.

Program Description

The program prepares students for Social Work practice with a clinical specialization, able to contribute with their leadership and guidance to programs and services for vulnerable populations in the United States of America, and other societies across the World. The context and geographical location of the program offers students the opportunity to meet the needs of a variety of vulnerable populations.

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.

Program sequence will be available at the time of enrollment.

The language of instruction and program delivery modality are subject to availability and may vary between locations.

Programmatic Academic Achievement Requirements

1. To graduate from the program, a general grade point average of 3.00 is required as well as a comprehensive grade examination of Pass.
2. The seminar and supervised practice are approved with A or B; a C requires that the course be repeated.
3. With D or F the student is suspended and a committee of three faculty members must examine the case to determine if a second opportunity is granted to repeat the seminar and practice. The Director of the Social Work Master's Program will appoint the Committee.

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Core/Professional Courses			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
SWGR 504	Social Policy Analysis	3	
SWGR 505	Human Diversity and Social Justice	3	
SWGR 506	Social Work with Individuals and Families	3	
SWGR 507	Social Work with Groups and Communities	3	SWGR 506
SWGR 510	Research Design	3	SWGR 504, SWGR 505
SWGR 601	Theories and Models of Human Development and Behavior I	3	
SWGR 606	Theories and Models of Human Development and Behavior II	3	SWGR 601
SWGR 555	Social Work with Seminar and Field Practicum I	6	SWGR 504, SWGR 505, SWGR 506, SWGR 507, SWGR 510, SWGR 601, SWGR 606
SWGR 670	Comprehensive Exam (1 st part)	0	SWGR 504, SWGR 505, SWGR 506, SWGR 507, SWGR 510, SWGR 601, SWGR 606, Concurrent with SWGR 555
TOTAL		27	
Specialization Courses			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
SWGR 602	Clinical Intervention I	3	SWGR 555, SWGR 670
SWGR 607	Clinical Intervention II	3	SWGR 555, SWGR 670, SWGR 602
SWGR 511	Research Analysis	3	SWGR 510
SWGR 655	Social Work with Seminar and Field Practicum II	6	SWGR 555, SWGR 670
SWGR 665	Social Work with Seminar and Field Practicum III	6	SWGR 655, SWGR 670, SWGR 602, SWGR 607, SWGR 511
SWGR 671	Comprehensive Exam (2 nd part)	0	SWGR 655, SWGR 670, SWGR 602, SWGR 607, SWGR 511, Concurrent with SWGR 665
TOTAL		21	
Guided Elective Courses			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
SWGR 608	Psychopathology, Human Behavior and Social Environment	3	
SWGR 623	Drug and Substance Abuse	3	
TOTAL		6	
TOTAL CREDITS		54	

Notes:

- Students must abide by the minimum required hours and policies the state and local education agencies set for practicum experiences.
- Students must comply with state and local education certification requirements for the degree, as applicable.
- Graduates of Social Work must seek professional licensing from the Board of Examiners at the State and local requirements or limitations to practice the profession.
- This academic program requires IRB certification. For more information about the process and requirements, please contact the Dean of the Academic School or refer to the Student Handbook of the program, if applicable.
- Credit will not be granted for life experience, volunteering, or work experience as a social worker.
- Graduation GPA: 3.00

The Master of Social Work at Ana G. Méndez University is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) Board of Accreditation (BOA).

Accreditation of a social work program by the BOA indicates that it meets or exceeds standards of program quality evaluated through a peer review accreditation process. An accredited program has sufficient resources to meet its mission and goals, and the BOA has verified that it demonstrates compliance with all accreditation standards. Accreditation applies to all program options, which include locations and delivery methods. Accreditation provides reasonable assurance about the quality of the program and the competence of students graduating from the program.

Review our program's accredited status at the Directory of Accredited Programs <https://www.cswe.org/accreditation/directory/?CSWE's>. For more information about social work accreditation, contact CSWE's Department of Social Work Accreditation at accreditation@cswe.org.