

## **MSW/MS DRL with Global Social Work Certificate Dual Degree Program**

### **Mission Statement**

The Master of Social Work (MSW) and Master of Science in Disaster Resilience Leadership (MS DRL) dual degree is a partnership of two programs within the Tulane School of Social Work. Through this five semester academic program, a graduate student can prepare for a career in social work as well as receive interdisciplinary training in disaster resilience and global humanitarian leadership. The competencies achieved upon completion of the dual degree allow the student to fill a professional role in the planning, management, and delivery of human services within communities vulnerable to natural and manmade disasters.

### **MSW/MS DRL with Global Social Work Certificate Program Description**

The MSW/MS in Disaster Resilience Leadership dual degree program is designed for motivated students wishing to pursue a career that supports the capacity of vulnerable populations to address the root causes of humanitarian crises. The joint degree's focus is on the development of robust leadership capacity to facilitate effective resilient programs, and creative empowerment-centered social work education promoting the integration of person and community approaches. It is the first academic program of its kind with such a dynamic and innovative purpose. The five semester curriculum requires completion of 78 credit hours: 54 credit hours in social work and 24 hours in disaster resilience leadership studies. Students take courses primarily in social work during the first academic year, with enrollment in disaster resilience leadership courses increasing over the course of the remaining four semesters. Individuals pursuing the dual degree will also be engaged in a field internship program that joins real-world social work practice with disaster risk management.

Students may choose to further focus their studies through the Global Social Work Certificate. The requirements for the Global Social Work Certificate (GSWC) are integrated into the MSW curriculum and allow students to explore their global interests within both core and elective classes and field settings. Along with completing all requirements for graduation from the MSW program, students seeking to receive the GSWC must apply for acceptance into the certificate program as well as complete the following: 1) the *SOWK 7700 Global Perspectives in Social Work Practice* course; 2) a field placement with emphasis on global issues/populations; 3) a minimum of two assignments per semester addressing global issues/populations; 4) a Professional Project which includes a global context; 5) participation in a globally focused extracurricular learning activity each semester; and 6) a portfolio with documentation of all of the above and other related activities or materials. Students in the GSWC program may also be eligible to apply for an international field placement (IFP).

### **Admission Requirements**

The prospective student must apply to and be accepted separately by both the Tulane School of Social Work and the Disaster Resilience Leadership Academy. Note: the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is required for admission in the MS DRL program. For more information regarding the GRE, visit the GRE website at <http://www.gre.org>.

Non-US citizens applying for admission must present satisfactory evidence of sufficient competence in English to read, write, speak and understand. The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score report is required for each applicant whose native language is not English or if English was not the language of instruction at the institution where the applicant received his or her degree(s). We also accept the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) in lieu of the TOEFL examination. For information about these exams, see <http://web1.toefl.org>

**GSWC Program Requirements**  
**24 credits MS DRL + 54 credits MSW**

**Fall – 16+3 credits (SSW Classes MWF)**

		SSW	DRL
SOWK 7110	Professional Foundations	1	
SOWK 7120	Social Work History and Policy	3	
SOWK 7210	Theory I	2	
SOWK 7310	Intro to Direct Social Work Practice	3	
SOWK 7140	Intro to Org and Communities Practice	2	
SOWK 7410	Tools I	3	
SOWK 7130	Diversity and Social Justice	2	
DRLS 6020	Disaster Risk Management and Leadership		3

**Spring – 17+0 credits (SSW Classes T/TH; Field MWF)**

SOWK 7220	Theory II	2	
SOWK 7320	SW Practice with Ind Fam Grps	3	
SOWK 7230	Community Organization and Policy Advocacy	3	
SOWK 7420	Tools II	2	
SOWK 7520	Field Practicum I – 22 hours	5	
SOWK 7580	Field Seminar	0	
SOWK 7700	Global Perspectives in Social Work Practice	2	*

**Summer – 13+3 credits (SSW Classes T/TH; Field MWF)**

SOWK 7330	Advanced Methods	5	
SOWK 7430	Tools III Data Management, Analysis & Interpretation	3	
SOWK 7530	Field Practicum II – 22 hours	5	
SOWK 7580	Field Seminar	0	
	DRLS elective		3

**Fall – 10 + 3 credits (SSW Classes T/TH; Field MWF)**

SOWK 7440	Capstone Seminar	2	
SOWK 7480	Professional Project	3	
SOWK 7540	Field Practicum III – 22 hours	5	
SOWK 7580	Field Seminar	0	
	DRLS elective		3

**Spring– 0+13 credits (DRLS only)**

DRLS 6040	Environmental Hazards Science		3
DRLS 6110	Research and Evaluation in Crisis and Disaster Settings		3
DRLS 6030	Leadership Analytics		3
	DRLS elective		3
	DRLS elective		1

\*Counted as DRLS elective

**GSWC with IFP Program Requirements**  
**Fall – 16+3 credits (SSW Classes MWF)**

		SSW	DRL
SOWK 7110	Professional Foundations	1	
SOWK 7120	Social Work History and Policy	3	
SOWK 7210	Theory I	2	
SOWK 7310	Intro to Direct Social Work Practice	3	
SOWK 7140	Intro to Org and Communities Practice	2	
SOWK 7410	Tools I	3	
SOWK 7130	Diversity and Social Justice	2	
DRLS 6020	Disaster Risk Management and Leadership		3

**Spring – 17+0 credits (SSW Classes T/TH; Field MWF)**

SOWK 7220	Theory II	2	
SOWK 7320	SW Practice with Ind Fam Grps	3	
SOWK 7230	Community Organization and Policy Advocacy	3	
SOWK 7420	Tools II	2	
SOWK 7520	Field Practicum I – 22 hours	5	
SOWK 7580	Field Seminar	0	
SOWK 7700	Global Perspectives in Social Work Practice	2	*

**Summer – 13+6 credits (SSW Classes T/TH; Field MWF)**

SOWK 7330	Advanced Methods	5	
SOWK 7430	Tools III Data Management, Analysis & Interpretation	3	
SOWK 7530	Field Practicum II – 22 hours	5	
SOWK 7580	Field Seminar	0	
	DRLS related elective		3
	DRLS related elective		3

**Fall – 10 credits (SSW Classes T/TH; Field MWF)**

SOWK 7440	Capstone Seminar - Online	2	
SOWK 7480	Professional Project	3	
SOWK 7540	Field Practicum III – 22 hours in IFP	5	
SOWK 7580	Field Seminar - Online	0	

**Spring– 0+13 credits (DRLS only)**

DRLS 6040	Environmental Hazards Science		3
DRLS 6110	Research and Evaluation in Crisis and Disaster Settings		3
DRLS 6030	Leadership Analytics		3
	DRLS elective		3
	DRLS elective		1

\*Counted as DRLS elective