

MSW CURRICULUM FALL 2020

The Tulane University School of Social Work Master of Social Work (MSW) teaches tangible skills to leverage strengths and apply interventions that empower individuals, families, and communities. Through our curriculum, you will develop your capacity via team projects and teaching, problem-based learning, creative simulation, field work, and electronic learning exchanges.

YEAR	SEMESTER	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
1	FIRST	Social Welfare History and Policy	3
		Diversity and Social Justice: Theory and Practice	3
	FIRST	Human Behavior and the Social Environment I	3
	FIRST	Introduction to Direct Social Work Practice	3
2	SECOND	Human Behavior and the Social Environment II	3
		Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families, and Groups	3
		Community Organizing and Policy Advocacy: Theories and Practice	3
	SECOND	Research for Program Evaluation and Evidence Based Social Work	3
	SECOND	Field Practicum and Seminar I	4
3	THIRD	Advanced Integrated Clinical and Community Practice I	3
		Data Analysis and Interpretation	3
		Psychopathology and DSM	3
	THIRD	Field Practicum and Seminar II	4
	THIRD	Elective	3
4	FOURTH	Advanced Integrated Clinical and Community Practice II	3
		Integrative Capstone Seminar	3
	FOURTH	Field Practicum and Seminar III	4
	FOURTH	Elective	3
	FOURTH	Elective	3

ON-CAMPUS PROGRAM

In our on-campus program, we only offer a full-time option. The full-time MSW program requires 12 to 16 credit hours per semester over 16 consecutive months for a total of 60 credit hours. Each student takes three semesters of field for a total of 316 hours of actual field work each semester.

ONLINE PROGRAM

Our online MSW program offers both full-time and part-time options. It employs innovative technology to ensure all students receive the full benefits of a Tulane education. If you elect the online program, you will participate in live sessions via synchronous classes. Our technology platform provides crisp and clear images and words, and students can always see each other and the instructor. You can expect personalized attention as you pursue your coursework. That includes tech support and virtual office hours with faculty.

FIELD EDUCATION

Our field education program exposes you to real-world social work practice as well as diverse populations and social issues. We place on-campus students with one of 75 agencies in New Orleans and surrounding parishes. Online students perform their field education in their own communities, and we can facilitate placements around the country.

ADVANCED STANDING PROGRAM

Applicants who have earned a Bachelor's of Social Work (BSW) degree within the past five years from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) may be granted Advanced Standing, enabling them to receive their MSW degree in three semesters of full-time study. This is available for both the on-campus and online options.

PART-TIME PROGRAM

The part-time MSW program, which is only available online, requires 8 semesters over 32 consecutive months for a total of 60 credit hours. Each student completes 6 semesters of 158 field work hours each semester.