Master of Social Work
MSW Flex Program

IRVINE CAMPUS

Department Vision: Community engagement; Inclusion; Social justice

The mission of the Department of Social Work at California State University Fullerton is to educate emerging and committed professionals for social work practice with vulnerable, marginalized, and underrepresented populations. We are committed to developing competent, ethical, and effective social workers who will promote integrity in the profession and provide leadership in advancing social work knowledge, addressing social problems, and advocating for social justice.

Core values: Service; Social justice; Dignity and worth of the person; Importance of human relationships; Integrity; Competence

Accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)

Funding: This is a self-supported (non-state funded) program administered through CSUF Extension and International Programs. Fees are slightly higher ($425 per unit) than the state-funded two-year program. This program is held exclusively at the CSUF Irvine Center.

PROGRAM GOALS

- Prepare students to become leaders in effecting change
- Promote faculty, student, and community collaboration in research
- Promote and integrate social and economic justice across the curriculum
- Advance an innovative and effective program led by competent and diverse faculty
- Enhance engagement with diverse communities through mutually empowering partnerships

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

- Fall admission only. Application period opens October 1st
- Bachelor’s degree required
- Applicants must have an educational foundation in liberal arts/social sciences. Students with a bachelor’s degree from a CSU or UC Campus meet all prerequisite course requirements
- Minimum GPA of 3.0 for the last 60 units
- Graduate Record Exam (GRE). General Test (Optional)
- Personal statement
- Three letters of recommendation
- Minimum 1 year of paid, volunteer, or internship experience in social services field recommended
- Interview with admission committee

SPECIALIZED PRACTICE CONCENTRATIONS

- Child Welfare
  - OC SSA, LA DCFS, and employees of child welfare agencies in other counties may qualify for the Title IV-E stipend program
- Community Mental Health

LENGTH OF PROGRAM

- Three years; 60 semester units
- Each course meets once per week
- 16-20 hours of fieldwork required per week during the second and third program years
- Program offered evenings at the Irvine Center
- Field Placement at affiliated community agencies

METHOD

- Direct practice

TYPICAL SOCIAL WORK JOB SETTINGS

- Family service agencies (domestic violence, homeless shelter)
- County social services agency
- County health care agency
- Adoption agencies/child protective services
- Community mental health agencies
- Medical/Psychiatric facilities
- Social welfare research & policy analysis
- Probation and correctional facilities
- Rehabilitation facilities
- Schools

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

January 15, 2020

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED AS THEY ARE RECEIVED
**YEAR ONE**

**FALL SEMESTER**
- MSW 501  
  Social Work Perspective on Human Behavior I
- MSW 520  
  Social Welfare Policy and Services I
- MSW 550  
  Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations

**SPRING SEMESTER**
- MSW 502  
  Social Work Perspective on Human Behavior II
- MSW 521  
  Social Welfare Policy and Services II
- MSW 510  
  Social Work Practice I

**SUMMER**
- Elective

**YEAR TWO**

**FALL SEMESTER**
- MSW 503  
  Social Work Perspective on Human Behavior III
- MSW 511  
  Social Work Practice II
- MSW 540  
  Social Work Field Instruction I

**SPRING SEMESTER**
- MSW 512/514  
  Advanced Practice I*
- MSW 522/523  
  Policy and Social Work*
- MSW 541  
  Social Work Field Instruction II

**SUMMER**
- MSW 530  
  Applied Social Work Research Methods

*Concentration-Specific Courses

**YEAR THREE**

**FALL SEMESTER**
- Practice Oriented Elective
- MSW 542  
  Advanced Social Work Field Instruction I
- MSW 596  
  Master's Project Development

**SPRING SEMESTER**
- MSW 543  
  Advanced Social Work Field Instruction II
- MSW 564  
  Macro Social Work in Communities and Organizations
- MSW 597  
  Master's Project

**SUMMER**

**HOW TO APPLY**

Applications are available October 1st at http://hhd.fullerton.edu/msw/

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