



Master of Social Work

Two-Year Program

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON

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)

STIPEND PROGRAMS

- **CalSWEC: Public Child Welfare** <http://hhd.fullerton.edu/msw/prospective/CalSWEC.php>
- **BHEAL: Integrated Behavioral Health** <http://bheal.fullerton.edu/>
- **GSWEC: Geriatric Social Work** <http://hhd.fullerton.edu/msw/prospective/GSWEC.php>

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 admissions committee

LENGTH OF PROGRAM

- Two years; 60 semester units
- Each course meets once per week
- 16-20 hours of fieldwork required per week
- Field Placement at affiliated community agencies

SPECIALIZED PRACTICE

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Child welfare
- Community mental health
- Aging

METHOD

- Direct practice

TYPICAL SOCIAL WORK JOB SETTINGS

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



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APPLICATION DEADLINE:

January 15, 2024

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ARE
REVIEWED AS THEY ARE RECEIVED

CURRICULUM

*Areas of Focus Courses

YEAR ONE

FALL SEMESTER

MSW 503

Social Work Perspectives on Human Behavior III

MSW 510

Social Work Practice I

MSW 520

Social Welfare Policy and Services I

MSW 540

Social Work Field Instruction I

MSW 550

Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations

SPRING SEMESTER

MSW 501

Social Work Perspectives on Human Behavior I

MSW 511

Social Work Practice II

MSW 521

Social Welfare Policy and Services II

MSW 530

Applied Social Work Research Methods

MSW 541

Social Work Field Instruction II

YEAR TWO

FALL SEMESTER

MSW 502

Social Work Perspectives on Human Behavior II

MSW 512/514/516

Advanced Practice I*

MSW 522/523/524

Policy and Social Work*

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

Electives (2)

1 Practice Oriented

Areas of Focus Courses

CHILD WELFARE*MSW 512**

Child Welfare: Advanced Practice

MSW 522

Child Welfare Policy and Social Work

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH*MSW 514**

Community Mental Health: Advanced Practice

MSW 523

Mental Health Policy and Social Work

AGING*MSW 516**

Aging: Advanced Practice

MSW 524

Aging Policy and Social Work

HOW TO APPLY

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

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