

## Educational Foundation in Liberal Arts/Social Sciences

**NOTE: If you have a bachelor’s degree from a California State University or University of California, you meet the liberal arts/social sciences requirement and do not have to complete this form.**

Applicants applying for admission to the MSW program must have an educational foundation in liberal arts/social sciences. The purpose of the liberal arts/social sciences perspective is to prepare students for the intellectual and practical challenges they will encounter in their social work education, as well as throughout their social work careers.

To help us assess your academic preparation in the liberal arts/social sciences, please complete this form and submit it with your other application materials. Applicants who do not list at least one course in each area may only be admitted on a conditional basis and will be required to complete liberal arts/social sciences coursework prior to becoming a classified graduate student. **Applicants may not use the same course for more than one category.**

**List at least one course in each area and specify school and date completed:**

Knowledge of diverse social conditions, social problems, and cultures including one’s own cultural and historical heritage – anthropology, sociology, ethnic studies, economics, foreign languages, geography, and history.	
Ability to think critically about social policy and its effect on people, and knowledge of the policy making process – political science, history, economics, public administration, urban studies, public policy, and social work.	
Knowledge of the social and psychological determinants of human behavior – psychology, child development, human development, sociology, criminal justice, and human biology.	
Knowledge of family and group processes and dynamics, and organizational and community functioning – child development, human development, family studies, psychology, sociology, and social work.	
Ability to communicate knowledge, attitudes, and ways of thinking that are characteristic of a broadly educated person – literature, philosophy, communications, journalism, creative writing, public speaking, debate, and linguistics.	
Knowledge of research methods and scientific inquiry – research methods, data analysis, program evaluation, logic, and statistics.	

*Applicant Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

