

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK



A Master of Social Work enables graduates to work in a variety of human service programs and agencies in an advanced clinical and/or administrative capacity, including careers in public health, school settings, the corporate sector, government, policy consulting and think tanks. Entrepreneurial opportunities also abound. The flexibility of the social work degree provides graduates with many options as they pursue their careers in the helping fields.

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Millersville and Shippensburg universities jointly offer a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). It is designed for applicants who have earned their Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree as well as for career changers. The program was developed to support both the full-time student and the working professional. State-of-the-art technology permits students to acquire social work knowledge, skills and values through multiple educational methods, including traditional campus classes, a variety of online formats and web-based activities. Because this is a joint program, students benefit from the quality faculty and resources of both universities.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Complete applications received by February 1 will be given full consideration. Applications received after February 1 will be considered if seats are available.



"I have dedicated my life to the pursuit of social justice and the well-being of marginalized individuals. The master's degree in social work will enhance and provide an interdisciplinary skill set necessary to make a bigger impact through research, education and community empowerment."

– Carolyn S. Cook-Rittenhouse, Master of Social Work '19

FLEXIBLE PROGRAM OPTIONS

Regular Standing (60 credits)

The 60-credit program can be completed in two years full-time (four courses per semester) or four years part-time (two courses per semester). This program is year-round.

Students enrolling in the 60-credit program must complete:

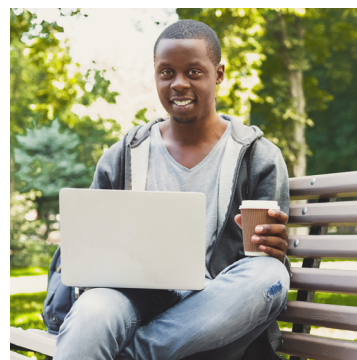
- 12 credit hours of field practicum
- 9 credit hours of electives
- 39 credit hours of required coursework

Advanced Standing (36 credits)

Applicants who hold a BSW degree from a CSWE-accredited institution and who meet other admission requirements may be eligible for the Advanced Standing program. This 36-credit program can be completed in one year full-time or two years part-time. This program is year-round.

Students enrolled in the 36-credit program must complete:

- 6 credit hours of field practicum
- 12 credit hours of electives
- 18 credit hours of required coursework, including a summer "bridge" course



DUAL DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE OPTIONS

DUAL DEGREES

MSW + MEd in Sport Management

A dual degree offered by the Millersville University School of Social Work and the Millersville University Wellness & Sport Science Department will provide an understanding of the emerging trends in social work and sport management at the clinical, program planning and administrative levels with a focus on athlete wellness.

MSW + MS in Emergency Management

A dual degree offered by the Millersville University School of Social Work and the Millersville University Center for Disaster Research and Education will prepare students to work in planning, preparation and response as well as human service and resource development for communities and individuals.



"The MSW program fully prepared me for professional advancement in my social work career. The knowledge and skills I learned in the program are invaluable. I chose to study social work because of personal experiences with social workers. My MSW education furthered my knowledge on empathy and helped me grow beyond my own worldview and to understand multiple perspectives. I also learned the importance of authenticity in the presentation of my professional identity."

– J. Anthony Skelton, Master of Social Work '19

CERTIFICATES

MSW + Home and School Visitor

The Home and School Visitor Certification is designed to provide students with the required knowledge and skills to work collaboratively in a school setting at all systems levels.

MSW + Expressive Arts

The Expressive Arts certificate will provide students with the required knowledge and skills around the use of the arts (e.g., music, theater, art, dance/movement, storytelling) to apply to their practice with various groups and at all levels of practice. Additionally, upon completion of the certificate and then a subsequent 200-hour internship, students will be eligible to apply as a Registered Expressive Arts Therapist.

MSW + Interprofessional Education

In collaboration with The Office of Interprofessional Collaborative Education and Teamwork (ICE-T) at Penn State College of Medicine, the School of Social Work is offering an Interprofessional Education (IPE) Certificate program for specialization year MSW students that prepares students for interprofessional collaborative practice in a variety of health care settings.

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