

Application for Advanced Standing
Millersville University |Shippensburg University
Master of Social Work Program

Applicants will be considered for the Advanced Standing program if they have a baccalaureate degree earned in the last ten (10) years from a Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) accredited social work program with an overall GPA of 2.8 and a major GPA of 3.25 or higher on a 4.0 scale and a recommendation (found on page 2) from the Program Director or designee of their undergraduate social work program.

Applicants also are asked to submit a one-page, double spaced response to the below prompt:

Graduate Social Work education is rooted in educational competencies set by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) ([link](#)). Please review the current [CSWE Educational Competencies](#) and reflect on how your practice experiences (internship or professional work) have been reflected in one or more of the competencies.

Applicants are asked to submit this statement as part of their online application or they may email it to the MSW Program Director.

Millersville University: [Dr. Laura Granruth](#)

Shippensburg University: [Dr. Jennifer Clements](#)

**Recommendation for Advanced Standing
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1. [Click or tap here to enter text.](#) is a master’s degree applicant who is requesting advanced standing in our MSW program. Some recent BSW graduates have a high level of professional maturity, practice skills, and life experiences and are prepared to move into the advanced micro/mezzo and advanced macro practice courses, and field experiences. Others may be in the process of or have successfully completed a BSW program but need more experience before taking advanced practice and field instruction courses.
2. Please check the box of the description that corresponds to the assessment by you and your faculty of the student as to where they best fit at this time:

Applicant is prepared to enroll full-time with advanced standing status, including taking advanced practice and field course

Applicant would benefit from enrolling part-time with advanced standing status in order to gain the experience of working in an agency while going to school. After a year in an agency, the applicant would be prepared to take advanced practice and field courses

Applicant would benefit from one year of foundation level micro/mezzo and macro practice courses and field practicum before moving into the second year of the MSW program. (BSW graduates who are required to take the first-year practice/field courses are not required to take other courses in which they earned a B or higher as a baccalaureate student.)

3. Approximately how many senior field internship hours has the student completed/will complete by the time they graduate with their degree, at the time of your assessment?

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4. Does the student meet the GPA requirements for advanced standing of 2.8 overall GPA and 3.25 in Social Work. (Check a box)

YES

NO

5. Were you able to get faculty input for your recommendation? (Check a box)

YES

NO

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Signature of Program Director

Date

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Institution

Telephone Number