

SOCIAL WORK

The Saint Joseph's University (SJU) Master of Social Work (MSW) Program is dedicated to equipping students for diversity-responsive practice, innovative leadership, and research dissemination that fosters social and economic well-being, and creates impact in expanding access to opportunities for individuals, families, and communities in the global environment. Grounded in interdisciplinary knowledge and the values of service, competence, dignity and worth of persons, human rights and social justice, the program facilitates engaged learning experiences resulting in advanced generalist skills to promote a more equitable society.

Learning Goals and Outcomes

Goal 1: To create an inclusive learning environment that represents diversity-responsive excellence in the training of social work professionals.

Goal 2: To prepare advanced generalist social workers who engage in lifelong learning with a commitment to the growth of their own professional knowledge base and ongoing professional development.

Goal 3: To collaborate with community service organizations and professionals, interdisciplinary programs, and equity advocates to promote practices, programs, and policies that enhance the well-being, dignity, and human rights of individuals.

Goal 4: To practice according to professional ethics and competency standards across all forms of practice and geographic areas within an anti-racist framework that acknowledges and advances human rights.

Requirements

The following curricula are based on 2022 CSWE accreditation standards for Social Work programs.

The curriculum is divided into 3 sections for full/part-time programs: generalist courses (30 credits), advanced generalist specialization courses (26 credits), and electives (6 credits). The field education is 900 total hours.

Code	Title	Hours
Generalist Year Courses:		
SWK 510	Human Behavior and Soc Envir	3
SWK 540	Foundations of SW Practice	3
SWK 541	Individual & Group SW Practice	3
SWK 550	Foundation Clinical Assessment	3
SWK 560	Human Rights in SW Practice	3
SWK 561	Practice with Orgs & Community	3
SWK 565	Culturally-Responsive Research	3
SWK 591	Social Welfare Policy & Change	3
SWK 580	Generalist Field Education I	3
SWK 581	Generalist Field Education II	3
Advanced Generalist Year Courses:		
SWK 620	Advanced SW Interventions	3
SWK 641	Leadership & Entrepreneurship	3
SWK 642	Advanced Clinical Assessment	3
SWK 660	Advanced Practice: Well-Being	3
SWK 661	Advanced Practice: Community	3

SWK 695	Program Evaluation in Practice	3
SWK 680	Advanced Field Education I	4
SWK 681	Advanced Field Education II	4
Elective Courses (Full/Part-Time):		6
Total Hours		62