



The Master of Social Work degree program at Winthrop University offers an advanced concentration in empowerment practice across systems (individuals and families, small groups and communities and organizations).

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# Social Work

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK



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UNIVERSITY

Rock Hill, South Carolina

## Program Description and Options

The Winthrop University MSW program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) and offers four different options for completing the MSW degree:

### I. FULL-TIME TRADITIONAL PROGRAM (60 CREDITS)

A two-year program for students interested in full-time study. Each cohort begins in August and completes four semesters of study, including two field internships.

### II. FULL-TIME ADVANCED STANDING PROGRAM (39 CREDITS)

A one-year program for students who already have a CSWE-accredited BSW degree. Each cohort begins in May and completes a full calendar year of study, including one field internship.

### III. WEEKEND TRADITIONAL PROGRAM (60 CREDITS)

A three-year program for working students interested in part-time study in an intensive weekend format. Each cohort begins in August and continues for three years. Each course meets for two intensive weekend sessions one month apart, accompanied by independent readings and projects. Field internships are at reduced hours over a longer period of time to better accommodate the needs of working students.

### IV. WEEKEND ADVANCED STANDING PROGRAM (39 CREDITS)

A two-year program for working students who already have a CSWE-accredited BSW degree and are interested in part-time study in an intensive weekend format. Each cohort begins in August and continues for two years. Each course meets for two intensive weekend sessions one month apart, accompanied by independent readings and projects. Field internships are at reduced hours over a longer period of time to better accommodate the needs of working students.



#### FOUNDATION COURSES

- SCWK 601: Human Behavior in the Social Environment (3)
- SCWK 602: Social Welfare Policy I (3)
- SCWK 603: Social Work Research (3)
- SCWK 604: Generalist Practice I (3)
- SCWK 605: Interpersonal Helping Skills (3)
- SCWK 615: Empowerment Practice Concepts (3)
- SCWK 610: Generalist Social Work Practice II (3)
- SCWK 611: Generalist Social Work Practice III (3)
- SCWK 612: Field Instruction I (3)
- SCWK 614: Social Welfare Policy II (3)

#### CONCENTRATION COURSES

- SCWK 620: Advanced Practice: Micro Systems (3)
- SCWK 621: Leadership and Empowerment Practice (3)
- SCWK 622: Field Instruction II (6)
- SCWK 623: Psychopathology & Empowerment Practice (3)
- SCWK 631: Advanced Practice: Macro Systems (3)
- SCWK 632: Field Instruction III (6)
- SCWK 633: Advanced Social Work Research (3)
- SCWK 640: Advanced Practice: Capstone (3)

#### ELECTIVES

- SCWK 624: Psychodiagnostics and Social Work Practice (3)
- SCWK 550 (A-C): Special Topics in Social Work (3)

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## Field Instruction

Students in the MSW program complete field practicum internships at area community agencies during their program of study. The staff in the Field Office will find the most appropriate placement for each student. Full-time traditional students complete a 16 hours-per-week foundation level internship during their second semester of study and a 24-hours-per-week advanced practice internship during their third and fourth semesters of study. Full-time advanced standing students complete a 24 hours-per-week internship during their fall and spring semesters of study. Weekend traditional and weekend advanced standing program students complete extended internships at 12 hours-per-week during their program of study.

## Application Requirements and Admissions Criteria

Applicants to the graduate program in social work are required to have an undergraduate degree. A CSWE-accredited BSW degree is required for admission to either of the advanced standing programs.

The selection of potential degree candidates for the Master of Social Work degree program is very competitive. Applicants must have acceptable grade point averages and satisfactory scores on the GRE or the MAT. In addition, three recommendations, a professional resume, and a comprehensive statement of personal goals are required.

## Application Forms and Process

Apply online at [www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool](http://www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool). Click *Apply Now* to begin.

Review of applications begins each year on February 1 and ends on April 30 for summer admission and June 15 for fall admission. Additional information is available online at: [www.winthrop.edu/socialwork](http://www.winthrop.edu/socialwork)