

SOCIAL WORK, MSW/ CRIMINAL JUSTICE, MS

Both departments in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare collaboratively offer a program designed to provide students with theoretical and practical exposure to evolving professional practice in the field of criminal justice, or social work with a focus on criminal justice (e.g., corrections, juvenile justice, probation and parole, etc).

Admission Requirements

Application Deadlines

Application deadlines vary by program, please review the application deadline chart (<http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/program-deadlines>) for specific programs. Other important dates and deadlines can be found by using the One Stop calendars (<https://uwm.edu/onestop/dates-and-deadlines>).

Admission

Students are admitted to both graduate programs separately and admission requirements are consistent with those specified by the UWM Graduate School, the MS in Criminal Justice and the MSW program in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare.

Credits and Courses

Students accepted into this MS/MSW program complete the following courses:

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Criminal Justice | | |
| CRM JST 773 | Perspectives on Crime and the Criminal Justice System (G) | 3 |
| CRM JST 743 | Proseminar: Administration of Criminal Justice Systems (G) | 3 |
| CRM JST 756 | Proseminar: Analysis of Criminal Justice Research (G) | 3 |
| Select 12 additional credit hours of courses within the criminal justice program | | 12 |
| Select 12 credit hours of Social Work courses with the consent of the student's advisor | | 12 |
| Students must complete the requirements of the Essay Option or Non-Essay Option as the degree capstone | | |
| Social Work Foundation Curriculum | | |
| SOC WRK 604 | Social Systems and Social Work Practice (U/G) | 3 |
| SOC WRK 662 | Methods of Social Welfare Research (U/G) | 3 |
| SOC WRK 665 | Cultural Diversity and Social Work (U/G) | 3 |
| SOC WRK 705 | Individual Behavior and Social Welfare (G) | 3 |
| SOC WRK 708 | Social Work Methods I: Individuals and Families (G) | 3 |
| SOC WRK 709 | Social Work Methods II: Groups, Organizations and Communities (G) | 2 |
| SOC WRK 721 | Field Instruction I (G) | 3 |
| SOC WRK 750 | Social Welfare Policy Development and Implementation (G) | 2 |

Social Work Advanced Practice Curriculum

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| SOC WRK 722 | Field Instruction II | 3 |
| SOC WRK 821 | Field Instruction III | 4 |
| SOC WRK 822 | Field Instruction IV ¹ | 4 |
| Select one of the following options: | | 8 |

Option 1:

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| SOC WRK 711 | Direct Social Work Practice I | |
| SOC WRK 811 | Direct Social Work Practice II: ² | |
| Select one additional practice course | | |

Option 2:

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| SOC WRK 713 | Community Organization, Planning and Human Service Administration I | |
| SOC WRK 915 | Human Services Administration II | |
| Select one additional practice course | | |
| SOC WRK 793 | Evaluation of Practice | 2 |
| SOC WRK 794 | Evaluation of Programs | 2 |

Concentration

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| SOC WRK 851 | Social Issue and Policy Analysis: ² | 2 |
| Select one of the following (depending on area of concentration): | | 3 |
| SOC WRK 685 | Social Gerontology | |
| SOC WRK 753 | Adult Psychopathology | |
| SOC WRK 771 | Development of the Family Over the Life Span | |

Electives

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| Select 6 credits of electives ³ | 6 |
| Total Credits | 89 |

- ¹ The capstone requirement is satisfied by SOC WRK 822.
- ² Requires sections to be selected from within the specialized concentration area.
- ³ Electives selected from among successfully completed CJ courses in consultation with faculty advisor.

Total Credits for Coordinated Degree: 71 (without a BSW) **or 49** (with a BSW).

The total credits for the coordinated program would typically be completed in both programs at the same time, rather than one program after the other. Degrees will be awarded simultaneously.

A student not completing the requirements for the coordinated degree program would need to complete all requirements for an individual program in order to receive a degree.

Program Requirements

Time Limit

Students in the coordinated MS/MSW degree program must complete all degree requirements within seven years of the first enrollment semester as a degree student.