University of Missouri-St. Louis is

Reaching Out to You

The University of Missouri-St. Louis provides students with the opportunity to complete select degree programs and credit courses through our Off-Campus Sites Program. The Off-Campus Site Program partners with Jefferson College, Mineral Area College, St. Charles Community College and St. Louis Community College. Through these partnerships students can earn their degree from UMSL while taking UMSL courses on the campus of one of our community college partners. Students will earn UMSL credit, courses will be taught by UMSL faculty, and students earn their Bachelor’s degree from UMSL. The faculty and staff of the community colleges and UMSL are committed to helping you achieve your academic goals.

Courses are offered in a variety of formats through the Off-Campus Sites program, including on-site and Internet-based. All courses are taught by UMSL faculty.

Those who have completed a bachelor’s degree in any field with a minimum 2.75 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) are eligible to apply for the MSW program.

For more information on the Master of Social Work program contact:

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About the profession

Few occupations can offer the variety found in social work. Social workers are found in public agencies, private businesses, hospitals, clinics, schools, nursing homes, private practices, police departments, courts, and countless other places. Social workers serve individuals, families and communities. They are managers, supervisors and administrators. They serve at all levels of government. They are educators, therapists, and researchers. They are also elected political leaders and politicians.

UMSL School of Social Work

The School of Social Work offers courses leading to a Master of Social Work degree (MSW) with a concentration in Family Practice. (Students interested in the Gerontology or Leadership and Management concentration can complete either by taking 2—4 courses at the St. Louis campus.)

The MSW program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. Social work education at the master’s level is built upon a liberal arts perspective. It includes required professional foundation content and one or more concentrations designed to teach students advanced analytic and practice skills sufficient for self-critical, accountable, and ultimately autonomous practice in relevant professional areas.

The School’s faculty stresses the scientific and applied aspects of social work. Professional social work education enables students to integrate the knowledge, values, and skills of the profession into competent practice. The School’s approach is reflected in an emphasis on the development of theoretical and methodological tools. There is a strong emphasis on practice, with community and social agency fieldwork as important parts of the program.

The MSW program requires 60 hours of graduate coursework. A student who has previously earned a BSW (within the past 5 years) or who has taken graduate coursework in another department or University may receive credit toward the 60 hour requirement according to the provisions of the Advanced Standing or Transfer Credit policies.
MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK with concentration in Family Practice Course Plan

(Mineral Area Education Center)

**Spring**

*SW 5200 Social Policy and Social Services
*SW 5700 Diversity, Social Justice & Social Work
Elective

**Summer**

*SW 5100 Generalist Social Work Practice

**Fall**

*SW 5300 Community Practice & Social Change
SW 5410 Social Work Research Methods & Analysis I
*SW 5500 Foundations of Human Behavior in the Social Environment
Elective

**Spring**

SW5450 Social Work Research Methods & Analysis II
*SW 5350 Social Work & Human Service Organizations

*Foundation level course for students without advanced standing credit for this course

**Notes:**

**Summer**

*SW 5800 & 5801 Foundation Field Practicum & Seminar

**Fall**

SW 6160 Advanced Interventive Strategies Across the Life Span
SW 6200 Family Policy

**Spring**

SW 6150 Theory & Practice with Families
Elective

**Fall**

SW 6400 Practice & Program Evaluation
SW 6800 Graduate Field Practicum II

**Spring**

SW 6850 Graduate Field Practicum III
Elective