



# Social Work



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MASTER OF SOCIAL  
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### MSW PROGRAM

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# MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

## STUDENT AND FACULTY PLEDGE

The MSW Program at Arkansas State University upholds the National Association Social Work (NASW) Code of Ethics and the College of Nursing and Health Professions Code of Honor.

## ■ MSW PROGRAM

A-State's approach to clinical social work practice is multidimensional with a concentration on rural-based clinical practice and Trauma-Infused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy.

The program stresses the role of trauma in the formation and perpetuation of psychosocial problems and mental health conditions.

The MSW Program provides learning and research experiences that promotes the development of professional social work skills.

## ■ MASTER'S of SOCIAL WORK ORGANIZATION

MSWO is a service-oriented organization for Master Level Social Work Students. Students work together in service projects on campus, in the community and in the state.



## ■ ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed SW application with Graduate School
- Personal and professional orientation paper
- Resume
- Social work references (3)
- Transcript - GPA last 60 hours undergraduate degree
- Standard program GPA 3.0
- Advanced standing program GPA 3.2

## ■ PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

### Advanced

- Requires 36 hours in concentration courses
- Eligibility: BSW within the past six years with a minimum 3.2 GPA in the last 60 hours of undergraduate work completed at the time of application.
- Available full-time (12 months) or part-time (two years)

### Standard

- Requires 63 hours of graduate work (27 hours foundation courses and 36 hours in concentration courses)
- Eligibility: minimum GPA 3.0 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate work completed at the time of application from an accredited college or university. Designed for persons with degrees other than BSW.
- Available full-time (two years) or part-time (four years)

## ■ MALPRACTICE INSURANCE

Before being assigned to clinical practicums, all students in the College of Nursing and Health Professions' programs are required to purchase malpractice/liability coverage.

## ■ CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND DRUG TESTING

Based on legislation in Arkansas, students admitted to professional programs that require licensure in the state upon graduation are required to have a successful background check to complete formal admission. Information for obtaining the background check and drug test is provided by the program. Costs are borne by the students.

## ■ STAR HOUSE

STAR (Simulation Training and Research) House is the newest addition to the Social Work Program at Arkansas State University. It is an innovative approach to educating students, faculty and community providers in a collaborative environment. STAR House is used to provide hands-on learning scenarios resembling real-life situations that can help students gain competence and confidence through the art of simulation training.