



flexibility
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CHOICE

Our Extended Degree Program

With our Extended Degree Program, you can continue to work while pursuing your MSW degree. Designed as a three-year, part-time curriculum with evening and weekend courses, our Extended Degree Program gives you the flexibility you need to earn your MSW from the University of Washington, ranked as one of the nation's top social work programs by *U.S. News and World Report*.

Never before has there been a more important time to address the needs of our rapidly changing society. Demand for social workers who are prepared to address the needs of diverse groups is growing. That's why our Extended Degree Program now offers two distinct concentrations, one focused on children, families, and multigenerational practice, and one focused on health and mental health.

Through our MSW Extended Degree Program, not only will you specialize in a field with great demand, among a network of professionals, you also will graduate with a versatile, prestigious degree from a top-ranked university.

Your Professional Foundation

During your first six quarters, you may take courses in the evenings, on weekends (Friday/Saturday), or a combination of both. Evening courses meet once per week; weekend courses meet four full days each quarter. You choose the course schedule that fits your work and family life. The 320-hour foundation practicum is usually scheduled over three quarters. Some courses are enhanced with online content.

Your Advanced Curriculum

You will complete your advanced coursework and practicum in the final five quarters of the program. The 720-hour advanced practicum is usually scheduled over four quarters and may require you to reduce your daytime work hours. The three core advanced courses are only offered on a weekend schedule, while electives are available evenings and weekends.

Example Program of Study

First Year – Professional Foundation

FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
Intellectual and Historical Foundations of Professional Social Work Practice	Poverty and Inequality	Micro/Mezzo Practice I: Individuals, Families, Groups	Micro/Mezzo Practice II: Practice with Individuals, Families, Groups
Social Work for Social Justice	Macro Practice I: Organizations, Community, Policy Practice	Macro Practice II: Organizations, Community, Policy Practice	Foundation Practicum
	Introduction to Practicum	Introduction to Practicum	

Second Year – Professional Foundation

FALL	WINTER	SPRING	Advanced Curriculum SUMMER
Foundations of Social Welfare Research	Social Welfare Research and Evaluation	Social and Economic Inequality	Advanced Practicum
HBSE and Applications in Multicultural Empowerment Practice	Foundation Practicum	Elective	Advanced Methods I
Foundation Practicum			

Third Year – Advanced Curriculum

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Advanced Practicum	Advanced Practicum	Advanced Practicum
Advanced Methods II	Elective	Elective



growth
empowerment
POSSIBILITY

A Master of Social Work

Social work is about empowerment. It's about service. And it's about social justice. As a social worker, you can change lives.

A Master of Social Work degree enables you to enhance your skills as a leader, empowering individuals, families, and entire communities through direct service, research, policy, or community development. The choice is up to you.

At the University of Washington, our MSW Extended Degree Program creates exciting possibilities for working professionals to gain the skills, practical experience, and professional network you need to advance your career.

“I'm now in a strong position to make a significant difference in the lives of children and families and advocate for those experiencing marginalization and discrimination.”

– Donna LaFrance, MSW Graduate

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