

College of Arts and Sciences

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

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WHY SOCIAL WORK?:

There are many reasons to consider a Masters in Social Work (MSW). Social workers are the primary service providers for people in need in this country. The UMKC MSW Program prepares students with knowledge, values, and skills to work across a broad array of settings with diverse people. This social work perspective looks not only at individual thoughts, feelings, and actions but also at the social environment as a primary arena for opportunities for change. Social workers are committed to care-centered practice, community-building, and social justice.

UMKC's advanced generalist curriculum is based on core professional competencies in the following areas: social work practice theory, organizations and leadership, community-building and social action, research and evaluation, and professional development. MSW students take courses in all of these areas in the classroom and in the field, including the final Integration Seminar.

LICENSURE:

The UMKC MSW Program prepares students for licensure upon graduation. Graduates can be licensed as the following in Missouri and Kansas: LMSW licensed master's social work; LCSW [MO]/LSCSW [KS] licensed clinical social worker; and LAMSW [MO only] licensed advanced generalist social worker. Applicants from other states should contact specific state licensing boards for information pertinent to each state.

PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE:

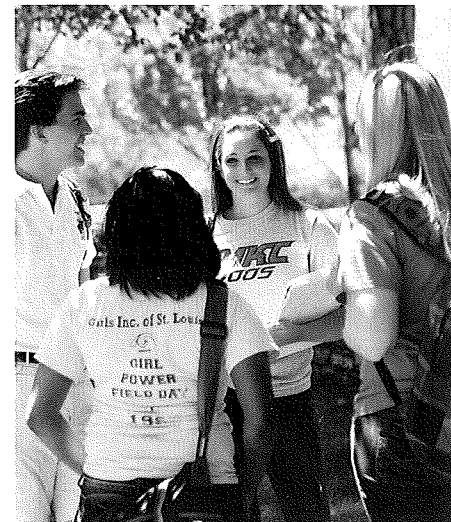
Various field placement opportunities in the community have been established for our students. Each 3 credit practicum course requires 16.25 hours per week of supervised experience in an agency setting. Students are free to use evening and weekend hours in the field to fulfill the weekly time requirement with the field director's permission.

WORK AND STUDY:

Many of our students do continue to hold at least part-time jobs while completing their MSW. Part-time academic status is estimated to require at least 10 hours each week; full-time academic status is estimated to require at least 36 hours each week.

ACCREDITATION:

The UMKC MSW program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.



APPLY:

Are you ready to make your passion your job? Successful candidates for the UMKC MSW Program must hold a baccalaureate degree that reflects a broad liberal arts base in the social, behavioral or psychological sciences, human biology, the humanities, or statistics and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

For more information visit us online, call (816) 235-1025, or attend an information session. UMKC is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.



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