



SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
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Welcome to 20 Month Schedule Course Planning



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Housekeeping

- Simply type your question into the “question box”
- We will answer questions publicly unless you type “private” in front of your question
- Webinar recording, PowerPoint & script notes will be posted on our website at:
ssw.umich.edu/programs/msw/admitted-students/course-planning

20 Month Program Requirements

	Credit Amount
• Foundation courses	18
• Field (912 hours)	15
– (SW 515, SW 531,SW 691)	
• Practice method	6
• Practice area	9
• SW 683	3
• Electives	9
Total =	<hr/> 60

MSW Curriculum

- Foundation Courses
 - SW 500
 - SW 502
 - SW 521
 - SW 522
 - SW 530
 - SW 560
- Foundation Fieldwork
 - SW 515 (two credits or units)
 - SW 531 (one credit or unit)

Exemptions

- Based on coursework completed in past six years with “B” or better grades
- Transcripts automatically reviewed through OSS for exemptions
- Exemptions do not reduce credit hour requirements, but do allow for students to replace the foundation course with an elective course
- Exemption decisions are e-mailed to your umich.edu e-mail address prior to your registration appointment time
- Decision may be appealed
- You do not have to accept an exemption

Substitutions

- Students can replace a foundation course requirement or an advanced course requirement with the permission of the Associate Dean (in the summer prior to enrollment) or with the permission of their advisor and the Associate Dean (following the beginning of the program).
- Substitution for a foundation course would typically require completing an advanced course in the same part of the curriculum. (For example, a student would typically need to substitute an advanced Human Behavior in the Social Environment course for SW 502 and an advanced macro methods course (Management of Human Services, Social Policy and Evaluation or Community Organization) for the SW 560 course.)
- Students sometimes substitute a required course with mini courses or even a course outside of the School of Social Work.

What are the Practice Method and Practice Area options?

- Practice Methods:

- Community Organization
- Interpersonal Practice
- Management of Human Services
- Social Policy and Evaluation

- Practice Areas:

- Aging in Families and Society
- Children and Youth in Families and Society
- Community and Social Systems
- Health
- Mental Health

Course Planning Worksheets

- Course Planning Worksheets are available at ssw.umich.edu/studentguide
- All students should become very familiar with the course planning worksheet for their schedule and concentration combination.
- Note that the worksheets set out a schedule for a student with no exemptions.
- Most 20 Month students replace exempted courses typically completed in the fall term by completing both SW521 and SW560 (typically 20 Month students enroll in one of these courses in Winter Term of their first year). Some students with multiple exemptions may enroll in advanced required or elective coursework where pre-requisites have been met.
- Occasionally it is necessary to complete an advanced course simultaneously with a pre-requisite course (e.g., SW 521 and SW 623, SW 624, SW 625 or SW 628).

Advanced Course Requirements

Practice Methods Requirements

- Two Courses are Required
- Interpersonal Practice
 - Two of: 623, 624, 625, 628
- Community Organization
 - Two of 650, 651, 652, 654, 657, 658, 674
 - It is recommended CO students enroll in 650, 651 or 652 as their first advanced CO course.

Advanced Course Requirements

Practice Methods Requirements (continued)

- Two Courses are Required
- Management of Human Services
 - Two of 651, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665
- Social Policy and Evaluation
 - 673 and one of: 670, 671, 674, 685

Advanced Course Requirements

Practice Area Requirements

- Three Courses
- Aging in Families and Society
 - 616, 644, 694
- Children and Youth in Families and Society
 - 633 and 696 and either 601 or 605
- Community and Social Systems
 - 647 and 697 and either 611 or 620

Advanced Course Requirements

Practice Area Requirements (continued)

- Three Courses
- Health
 - 613 and 634 and 699
- Mental Health
 - 636 and 698 and either 606 or 612

Advanced Course Requirements

Additional Requirements:

- Evaluation -All students must complete an evaluation course: SW 683
- Field Instruction -All students must complete 12 credit hours of Advanced Field Instruction (SW 691)
- Electives -All students must complete 9 credit hours of electives (more if exempted from any foundation courses)

Special Option for CO Students

- Special pilot option for 16 or 20 month Community Organization concentrators
- Enroll in SW 560 Section 002 (Introduction to Community Organization, Management and Policy/Evaluation Practice) and SW 513 Section 005 (Community Organization Skills Laboratory)
- Replace SW 502 requirement with SW 513 Section 005
- Petition for entry into SW 560 Section 002 to gain entry into both SW 560 Section 002 and SW 513 Section 005
- Will provide enhanced preparation for practice in community organization

Special Option for IP/CY Students

- Special pilot option for 16 or 20 month students selecting the Interpersonal Practice method and the Children and Youth in Families in Society Practice Area
- Enroll in SW 521 Section 002 (Introduction to Interpersonal practice) and SW 513 Section 006 (Children and Youth Skills Laboratory)
- Replace SW 500 requirement with SW 513 Section 006
- Petition for entry into SW 521 Section 002 to gain entry into both SW 521 Section 002 and SW 513 Section 006
- Will provide enhanced preparation for practice in utilizing interpersonal practice skills with children, youth and families.

Special Pilot Option for IP/MH

- Special pilot option for 16 or 20 month Interpersonal Practice concentrators selecting a Practice Area of Mental Health
- Enroll in SW 521 Section 010 or 011 (introduction to Interpersonal Practice) and SW 513 Section 003 or 004 (Interpersonal Practice Skills Laboratory)
- Replace SW 612 requirement with SW 513 Section 003 or 004
- Petition for entry into SW 521 Section 010 or Section 011 to gain entry into both SW 521 Section 010 or 011 and SW 513 Section 003 or 004
- Will provide enhanced preparation for practice in mental health settings
- Pilot option is required for Clinical Scholars and Integrated Health Scholars -- Scholars should petition for SW 521 section 010
- 20 Month students selecting this option and without exemptions should delay enrolling in SW 530 until their second fall term of enrollment and should delay enrolling in SW 636 until their second winter term of enrollment

SW 504 Diversity and Social Justice in Social Work

- **SW 504**

A foundation course designed to increase students awareness, knowledge, and understanding of issues related to diversity, human rights, social and economic justice. The topics of this course include developing a framework for 1) engaging diversity and differences in social work practice and 2) advancing human rights and social and economic justice.

- **SW 504 will substitute for SW 502**

Submit a Substitution Form to the SSW Registrar's Office to use SW 504 in place of SW 502.

What are the elective credit options?

- Minor Method
- Specialization or Certification
- More courses related to your practice method or practice area
- Courses unrelated to your practice method or practice area
- Electives in the SSW
 - Mini courses (One credit courses, 790 and 799)
 - Three credit hour courses (usually 700 level)
- Doctoral Courses
- Special Studies
- Courses outside SSW:
 - ssw.umich.edu/courses/other
 - wolverineaccess.umich.edu
 - nonprofit.umich.edu
- Additional Field Instruction

Can I change my program selections?

Send email to ssw.oss@umich.edu to request change of:

- Practice Method
- Practice Area
- Add/Delete Practice Method Minor
- Curriculum Schedule (16 month, 20 month, Advanced Standing)

Registration Tips

- Registration is through:
wolverineaccess.umich.edu
- Be sure to park courses in your backpack via wolverineaccess.umich.edu prior to your registration appointment time
- When searching for field (SW 515 or SW 691) be sure to include [“independent studies”](#)

Registration Tips

- Review the wolverineaccess.umich.edu tutorial
- To access the wolverineaccess.umich.edu registration tutorial:
 - Sign in to Student Business utilizing your username and password on wolverineaccess.umich.edu
 - Click on “Self Services Help”
 - Click on “Student Business”
 - Click on “Student Center Academics and Enrollment” (you will find this link under the heading “Student Academics”)
 - Remember we do not use the waitlist function in the School of Social Work!

Registration Tips

- Be sure to include the units (usually two for foundation) when registering for field work (SW 515).
- Utilize the [Petition to Enter a Closed Course](https://www.ssw.umich.edu/secure_forms/closed_course.html) https://www.ssw.umich.edu/secure_forms/closed_course.html if you would like to gain entry to a closed course (we do not use the “waitlist” function on wolverineaccess.umich.edu).

Registration Tips

Thoroughly read the information including the MSW course listings and “outside course listings” at ssw.umich.edu/courses

- [Complete U-M SSW Class Descriptions](#) - this link has information on all courses approved by the SSW faculty. Some courses may not be available in a given term.
- [Winter 2014 Class Schedule](#) - read through this link to understand which courses are offered in a typical Winter Term. The schedule for Winter 2015 will be similar, but not available until Fall 2014.
- [Fall 2014 Class Schedule](#) - this is the schedule for Fall 2014. Some of the information available here is not included in the course listings on wolverineaccess.umich.edu
- [Spring/Summer 2014 Class Schedule](#) - read through this link to understand which courses are offered in a typical Spring/Summer Term. The schedule for Spring/Summer 2015 will be similar, but not available until Winter Term 2015.

Registration Tips

- [Outside Class Listing](#) - this is a listing of courses in other units of the University which may be of interest to MSW students.
- [Student Guides and Course Planning Worksheets](#) - this page has information of importance for incoming students. The 2014 Student Guide will be available later in the summer. Course Planning Worksheets are available now.
- [Class-Related Forms](#) - this page has links to several important forms including the special studies recording form, permission of instructor form and the Petition to Enter Closed Courses form.

Interested in an individual advising appointment?

- Call OSS 734-936-0961 to schedule an appointment with a Student Services Specialist

Summer Homework 😊

- Review all information at:

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