



Tentative Fall 2026 SEED Orientation Schedule for Entering On Campus MSW and MSIL Students

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Date/Time	Event	Location
Monday, August 31		
9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	International Student Orientation	UM School of Social Work Building (SSWB) 1080 S. University Avenue, 1636 SSWB
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Getting to Know U <i>(optional)</i> Join current and new SSW students for a walk around the School and central campus.	Meet in McGregor Commons, SSWB
Tuesday, September 1		
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Sign In & Continental Breakfast	Michigan Union Rogel Ballroom 530 S. State Street
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	SEED Orientation Welcome	Michigan Union Rogel Ballroom
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Who’s In the Community	Michigan Union Rogel Ballroom
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Break	
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Using Restorative Practices to Talk Across Difference	Michigan Union Rogel Ballroom
11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Highlights for the Week	Michigan Union Rogel Ballroom
11:30 a.m. – 12 Noon	SSW Advising	Michigan Union Rogel Ballroom
12 Noon – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch / Pick Up Boxed Lunch in McGregor Commons Pick up a boxed lunch in the McGregor Commons. Spaces in SSWB will be open, so find your favorite spot and have lunch with your fellow incoming students!	McGregor Commons & Various Locations, SSWB
1:00 p.m. —4:00 p.m.	Stop by OSS today or during your first week of class to pick up your incoming student gift!	Office of Student Services (OSS) 1748 SSWB
1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Current Student Panel	Lower Level Atrium SSWB
1:15 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.	MA in Social Impact Leadership (MSIL) Student Meeting Only MSIL students. MSIL student meeting and program activities.	TBD

Tuesday, September 1 (cont.)

1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Pre-Field Orientation Workshop This workshop is only for MSW students starting field in Fall 2026.	Various locations based on field faculty:
3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Current Student Panel	Lower Level Atrium SSWB
TBD	Social Event: TBD <i>(optional)</i>	TBD

Wednesday, September 2

-- Anytime 8a-4p -- Stop by OSS today or during your first week of class to pick up your incoming student gift! 1748 SSWB

-- GROUP A --

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	SW590 Class Meet MSW students, this will be the first class session for your SW590.	SSWB, various locations based on SW590 Section
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Drop-In – Program Advisors + Office of Student Services and Enrollment Management + Office of Field Education + Flourish Office Stop in anytime during drop-in hours. Staff will be available to answer questions about course planning, financial aid, field, or other questions you may have.	ECC, 1840 SSWB
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Getting to Know U (optional) Join current and new SSW students for a walk around the School and central campus.	Meet in front of the SSWB
TBD	Social Event: TBD <i>(optional)</i>	TBD

-- GROUP B --

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Getting to Know U <i>(optional)</i> Join current and new SSW students for a walk around the School and central campus.	Meet in front of the SSWB
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Drop-In – Program Advisors + Office of Student Services and Enrollment Management + Office of Field Education + Flourish Office + MSIL Office Stop in anytime during drop-in hours. Staff will be available to answer questions about course planning, financial aid, field, the MA in Social Impact Leadership program, or other questions you may have.	ECC, 1840 SSWB
12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	MSIL Student Lunch Connect with your MA in Social Work Impact Leadership (MSIL) peers and learn how to get the most out of your time as a MSIL student. Lunch provided. Program activities to follow.	TBD
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	SW590 Class Meet MSW students, this will be the first class session for your SW590.	SSWB, various locations based on SW590 Section
TBD	Social Event: TBD <i>(optional)</i>	TBD

Thursday, September 3 [MSW student-only day]

Meetings will be held in person. Joining remotely? Find a link to join via Zoom in the Orientation Toolkit for your program.

-- Anytime 8a-3p --	Stop by OSS today or during your first week of class to pick up your incoming student gift!	1748 SSWB
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	MSW Detroit Scholars Meeting	TBD
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	MSW Community Scholars: CBI and NCS Meeting MSW Global Activities Scholars (GASP) Meeting MSW New Leaders in African-Centered Social Work Meeting MSW Title IV-E Child Welfare Fellowship Meeting Social Work in School Settings for MSW	TBD
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	MSW Pathway Meeting: Global Social Work MSW Pathway Meeting: Management & Leadership MSW Child Welfare Scholars Meeting MSW TIPPS Scholars Meeting	TBD
11:00 a.m. – 12 Noon	[Group A] MSW Pathway Meeting: Interpersonal Practice in Intg Hlth, Mental Hlth &Subst Abuse MSW Pathway Meeting: Program Evaluation and Applied Research	ECC, 1840 SSWB TBD
12 Noon – 1:00 p.m.	[Group B] MSW Pathway Meeting: Interpersonal Practice in Intg Hlth, Mental Hlth &Subst Abuse MSW Pathway Meeting: Community Change MSW Pathway Meeting: Policy & Political Social Work	ECC, 1840 SSWB TBD TBD
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	MSW Pathway Meeting: SW Practice with Older Adults and Families from a Lifespan Perspective MSW Pathway Meeting: Children, Youth & Families (Welfare of Children & Families)	TBD ECC, 1840 SSWB
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	MasterTrack / SW Essentials MSW Meeting/Reception Connect with your MasterTrack and Social Work Essentials MSW peers and learn how to get the most out of your time as a MTC or SWEC student.	TBD
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Note that SSW Offices will be closed for a staff/faculty off-site event	
TBD	Social Event: TBD (optional)	TBD
Friday September 4		
TBD	Social Event: TBD (optional)	TBD

Saturday, September 5

TBD **Social Event: TBD (optional)** TBD

Tuesday, September 8**First Day of Fall Term SSW Classes****Wednesday, September 9**

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **All-School Welcome Lunch from the Dean** Lower Level SSWB
Join us for pizza (provided).

5:00 p.m. **Virtual Introduction to Field Education for MSW Students Starting Field in Winter 2027** [Register to Attend](#)

Tuesday, September 15

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Dual Degree Program Lunch** ECC, 1840 SSWB
Kate Sechler, On Campus MSW Program Manager, and Megan O’Neal, MSIL Program Manager, will host a lunch session for SSW students pursuing a dual degree, combining the MSW or MSIL with another U-M graduate degree. Join Kate, Megan and fellow dual-degree students (both new and current). Lunch provided.

Wednesday, September 16

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **SSW Student Org & Resource Fair** Lower Level SSWB
Stop by the student organization fair to learn about important resources and the numerous SSW groups that you may want to join.

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Michigan Momentum: Showcasing the Cutting Edge of Social Work Science** McGregor Commons
Join faculty, postdoctoral fellows, research staff, doctoral trainees, and MSW students in a poster session to learn about their current research projects. Pizza available for registered attendees.

Thursday, September 17

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Global Social Work Dinner** ECC, 1840 SSWB
The Office of Student Services and the Office of Global Activities are pleased to host incoming and second-year MSW and MSIL international students, Global Activities Scholars Program students, Master’s International Volunteer Program students, Coverdell Fellows, and Global Social Work Practice Pathway students. This event will be a chance to get to know fellow students who have an interest in global social work over dinner.