

2019 Virtual Open House Q & A Chat Log

Question	Answer
I wanted to apply for the joint MSW/Doctorate program but missed the deadline for the 2019 doctoral program. Can I still start the MSW program this fall and apply for the 2020 social science doctorate as a joint program?	Yes. You will need to apply to this program by December 1, 2019.
If we have been placed on a waitlist for an specialized program, are we still allowed to apply for other programs?	Yes, you are more than welcome to apply for any special program that is still accepting applications.
How many people are chosen to do their field placements abroad?	About 10-12 students. Students in the Global Activities Scholarship program and a few additional student will complete global field placements. There are many other global options: https://ssw.umich.edu/offices/global-
How many students per country are admitted to the global scholars program?	About 6 - 8 students are accepted and there is no quota per country.
If we don't start applying for global field placements until our first semester, do we still start a local field placement in the fall even though we won't know if we got it until after the semester begins? Or is everyone allowed to do a global field placement?	If you do not get accepted to complete a global placement, you would stay in the local placement for your time in the program. While most students are able to do a global placement, not all students will actually complete one
Do you recommend doing anything other than the required essay for the global scholars program if I am extremely interested?	It would be good to connect with the Global Activities Office to talk more about the program before applying: https://ssw.umich.edu/offices/global-activities
If I plan on commuting, is there something I should do prior to have better chances of having classes on the least amount of days?	Depending on your registration date, you may need to petition for closed courses in order to have most of your classes on the same day. I strongly recommend backpacking courses at the appropriate time and being available during your registration date/time for the best chances.
Is there a deadline to hear back from Special Programs regarding decisions on programs we've applied to?	Decisions are emailed out at the earliest date possible.
I heard something earlier about scholarship applications being due on April 1st -- Which scholarship specifically does this due date correspond to?	This deadline applies to our special scholarship programs.
I applied for the Joint PhD-MSW Program at UMich and was only accepted into the MSW program. Would it be possible to enter the Joint-PhD program at a later date after starting the MSW program?	Yes, you could re-apply to the PhD program for Fall 2020. The deadline is December 1, 2019.

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How is tuition cost affected by choosing different length tracks?	Tuition costs are different each academic year (each academic year begins in the Fall). If you are 12 month, you will pay 3 semesters of the same tuition, 16 month-3 semesters of the same tuition and 1 semester of a different rate, and the 20 month has 2 semesters of the same tuition and 2 semesters of a different rate.
Once you have already applied to the MSW program can you still send in applications to the special programs?	Yes, if the special program application is open. Please email us at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu to inquire.
We will get emails from you about the deadline for field placement right? What is the final deadline?	Yes. May 16th for students beginning field in Fall 2019.
Where do we find the list of approved field sites? I've already been accepted so I should have access right?	If you have a username and a password you can access the application here https://ssw.umich.edu/node/43057
How many students will be accepted for the Fall 2019 in the SSW?	We expect an incoming MSW class of approximately 430.
How competitive is it to get accepted to live in Munger?	Munger Residence Hall does fill up each year. It's good to apply as soon as possible.
Are students who are enrolled or the Fall 2019 MSW program allowed to defer for a year? Who should they speak to if considering this?	Yes. If you want to defer you can send a request via email to: ssw.msw.info@umich.edu with a brief explanation as to why you are requesting a deferment.
How is social work different from psychology in a school setting working with children?	Psychologists are often completing assessments for different diagnoses, whereas social workers are often identifying barriers to learning and are involved in advocacy, resource connection, group support for students in school settings.
What does the Michigan School of Social Work do to help students get jobs after students complete the MSW program?	Our Career Services Office offers resume/cover letter reviews, mock interviews, and workshops on salary negotiation. We also maintain a job bulletin that is emailed out to students every two weeks.

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How can I gain quantitative/qualitative social work research experience in this program? How does one join a lab?	Hello. Students are able to engage in an independent study which allows you to work with a faculty member to design your own research project for course credit. You are also able to search studentemployment.umich.edu which may list some research related jobs. You are also able to contact faculty members directly for opportunities to engage in research that they may be conducting. Some students use their work-study award to gain additional research experience .
Are MSW students permitted to enroll in SW 790 seminar courses or are those reserved for PhD students?	Hello. MSW students are able to enroll in PhD level courses. Some may require special permission and/or pre-requisites for the MSW student. More information can be provided once the course schedule is released. Doctoral courses are 800 level courses. The SW 790 courses are mini courses that are available to MSW students.
How common is it to receive exemptions from SW 504 and SW 560 if you are coming from an accredited BSW program, assuming a student earned appropriate grades?	It is not common to get exempt from 504. However, you are welcome to file for an exemption. Many BSW students do receive exemptions from 560 if they have covered the content of the course in their BSW program.
Can we take courses in a different school to fulfill electives (e.g. psychology graduate program)?	Yes, you can utilize your electives in various departments across campus as long as they are graduate level.
I received SSW funding information, but I am still waiting on the Office of Financial Aid funding information. Do you recommend I reach out to them or is it normal to wait a month after acceptance before you hear back?	It depends on when you submitted your FAFSA (to UM). Please contact us at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu and we can look into this for you.
If we have not yet been accepted into the SSW, when is the latest we should expect an email?	Decisions are emailed out at the earliest date possible. Depending on your initial decision, an applicant may not know whether they have been admitted or not until sometimes a week or so before the Fall semester begins. If you are placed on our alternate list, we maintain that throughout the summer. A final decision will come at the end of August. We will review your application for an initial decision shortly after your application submission. It can be a month or longer before you receive an initial decision.
If I paid the admission deposit last year and then had to defer my admission to start this Fall do I need to make another deposit this year?	No, your enrollment deposit will be moved to this fall.

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Are there certain requirements that the school reviews if you are considering deferment?
Can you share how I can learn more about applying to be a resident assistant as a graduate student?
If you're already enrolled or begin with your program either 16 or 20 month program, but you're interested in applying for the international volunteer program mid-program, can you do this?
It was mentioned earlier that for the 20 month program, students take 15 credits per semester. How often do students meet on campus for class in this 20-month program?
If you have been in the field for several years, and have had supervision for that amount of time, that wouldn't carry over for the 912 hours that is expected for field hours, correct?
Can you expand on the MSW/MPH dual degree?
If we have already received a letter from the office of financial aid, is there a chance we might still receive additional aid later on or is this a final amount?
If I received some financial aid as work study, does that mean I will have to work while I am in the advanced standing program? If so, where and how do I find the necessary employment?
Is there a specific date by which March 1st deadline applicants will hear back?

Answer
We accept requests to defer up to two years. If you wish to defer, please email us your request at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu . Be sure to include the reason for your wish to defer.
Please visit housing.umich.edu
I encourage you to reach out to the Office of Global Activities at ssw.oga@umich.edu or (734) 936-1964. Typically, Peace Corps applications are submitted by September 1st of the fall term when students begin course work.
Most courses can be scheduled over the course of 2-3 days per week as you will be in field placement at 2 days a week
Correct. We cannot give any field credit for work completed before you began the MSW program.
Hi there! For more information on the MSW/ MPH program please visit https://ssw.umich.edu/msw-student-guide/section/2.13.03/112/dual-degree-in-social-work-and-public-health-health-behavior-and-health-education . Usually Dual degree students with MPH/MSW start taking MPH courses in their first year and complete the program over 6 semesters.
Keep in mind that you will receive a financial award from the University Office of Financial Aid and the School of Social Work. If you would like to discuss your options, please feel free to contact our office at 734-936-0961 to schedule an appointment with me, Cerise Carrington.
You have the option of finding a work-study position to earn money for living expenses. You can search for positions this summer at: https://studentemployment.umich.edu/
Decisions will be emailed at the earliest date possible.

Question
If we haven't heard back about Special Programs, is it possible to get an extension on our admissions decision date?
If we are on the Alternate List, should we plan to attend the field placement webinar? Or only if we are accepted by then?
Do graduate students have access to CAPS? Is there a number of sessions available per semester/year?
If we are employed in a place that has licensed clinical social workers in supervisory roles, and the employer is interested in applying to be a potential field placement, would it be possible to complete one of our field placements at a current employer? If the field placement role was different from our regular job duties?
Will applicants who applied by the March 1st priority deadline receive their acceptance letters before those who have not?
Is it possible to pursue a dual degree as well as a scholarship program?
How much impact does one's elective course decision have on their future professional employment?
I don't have a GPA to be in advanced standing but I have my BSW degree. How can I do part time MSW program?
Does the 20 month program require 3 classes each semester?

Answer
Yes please email ssw.msw.info@umich.edu with a request and the date that you would like it to be extended too.
Yes, you are more than welcome to participate in the webinar.
Yes you have access. The number of sessions are determined by the therapist based upon the needs of the student.
Possibly, please contact the office of field instruction for how that agency can work to become an approved placement. You will need to have a different supervisor and tasks from your regular position.
We use a modified rolling process. Once an application is complete, it is sent to the review committee. Admissions decisions are sent at the earliest date possible.
The only dual degree in which you cannot also pursue a special program is MSW/MPH
Employer's number one question they love to answer is - Is this applicant a great fit for the job? Can they perform the tasks or have the ability to do so? So it's the overall class knowledge and field experience that is key - not just your electives. Sometimes, if your required classes and field gives you the background needed for employment - utilize electives to take something different say in another unit on campus or a doctoral level course because you may not get a chance to do so after graduation.
Upon admission, I recommend meeting with Tim Colenback or Erin Zimmer to schedule a plan.
You will be enrolled in 15-16 credits a semester. This usually includes 4 classes and 2 days of field placement.

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Can I do part time in MSW under extended degree?	I recommend meeting with Tim Colenback or Erin Zimmer to set up a plan.
Since I have a BSW but not a 3.5 gpa. Do I have to do 900 field placement?	You may be exempt from foundation field which would only require 684 hours. You will be able to apply from foundation courses/field exemptions this summer.
When should we apply for specialization certifications?	The specializations do not require an application rather you should work with your advisor to ensure that the course requirements and field requirements are being met. Some of the specilizations may require an application shortly before graduation to make sure all you receive all applicable documentation upon graduating.
Is a research thesis required for graduation?	No. But if you would like to you can do an independent study with a professor.
Can you have the Management of Human Services practice method as a New Leaders in African-Centered Social Work scholar? I'm contemplating changing my practice method.	Yes, the New Leaders Program allows for any practice method/area.
What is the process for joining/running for a position in the school of social work student union?	During your time there will be an election held and you would have to be nominated to run and then students or your fellow peers will vote you in :),I highly recommend this! I did this during my time here and it was a great experience in advocating for my peers.
So there is no formal orientation. Did I hear that correctly?	We will have Fall SEED Orientation activities August 27 - 30. All students are strongly encouraged to attend.
Is there a possibility to switch from 16 to 20 month enrollment?	Yes, if you would like to request a change, please email your request to us at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu at the earliest date possible. Be sure to include a brief reason for your wish to change.

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What is the difference between the 16 month and 20 month enrollment?	16 month schedule has four semesters/terms (Fall, Winter, SP/Summer and Fall). So those in the 16 month schedule complete the program in 16 months starting in Sept and graduating in Dec. Also those on the 16 - month schedule have one block field placement starting in January and ending in December - no field the first semester. Generally, the 20 month schedule is four terms over two years (Fall, Winter, Fall, Winter) Students on the 20 month track will have the summer semester off. However, those on this schedule can have two different field placements for each year.
Is all field work unpaid?	Most field placements do not have funds to pay students, however, some do have stipends. The school does offer assistance if students are traveling a long distance to field. You can talk with your field faculty member when setting up field.
If financial aid is not enough to cover fees for 16 months could we switch to 20 months/extra term option to help with that?	You should schedule a time to talk with Cerise Carrington to discuss financial aid options. Both programs are essentially the same cost.
Where can we go to reivew the special programs we've already applied for?	You can visit our website at https://ssw.umich.edu/programs/msw/financial-aid/special-programs
Can we/should we apply for all the integrated health programs if our interest is in that focus?	Consider that the HRSA programs are specific to working with urban and minority populations therefore if that is not a part of your interest, then that may not be the best fit for you. But if population does not matter, then yes.
Where do we send an additional application for the specialized programs to?	Please submit your special program applications to ssw.specialprograms@umich.edu
What is the latest date we will receive notification of whether we are or are not accepted into the special programs we've applied for?	Decisions will be emailed at the earliest date possible.
For the 16th month program, the first semester is only classes? if so, how often do classes meet?	Yes. Each class meets once a week for three hours in the first term.

Question
How many classes are expected per semester with full time status?
Does the university pay for travel and housing abroad if a MSW student procures a global option?
If we don't get into one of the special programs is there any way we can utilize electives or extra opportunities to mimic/ align with our interests?
When I was looking at the SSW website-I thought it was a Fall Term, Winter Term, and Spring/Summer Term. Is that the 16-month program?
Is there graduate housing for married students?
For Advanced Standing, how many days are in-class vs. field placement during the week?
How many people are admitted into the Advanced standing program for the fall?
Are there limits in what assistantships we can apply for? For example, I am receiving a BA in psychology. Can I apply for a psychology graduate assistantship even if I am not receiving a Master's degree in psychology?
I noticed that I can't apply for several scholarships until August. Are these scholarships for the 2019-20 or 2020-21 academic year?
Are there options for housing employment which includes free housing?

Answer
Most students average 15 credits per semester. This usually included 4-5 courses along with field in the semesters that you have field placement scheduled
The MSW program may be able to assist students with a portion of the travel and housing costs while abroad. Students can apply for scholarships to help with some of these expenses during the first term in the program.
Hi there! Yes! You are also welcome to take classes that are offered in the special programs just please note that you may need to petition into these courses as priority is given to students in the special programs.
Advanced standing is Fall, Winter and Summer/spring. 16 Month is Fall, Winter, Spring/summer and another semester of Fall.
There is graduate housing for families. Please feel free to visit housing.umich.edu for more information
You will typically to to field placement 2 days/week and attend classes over 2-3 days.
We are still admitting students for fall 2019, but we will likely have about 130 advanced standing students.
Yes, you can apply for a GSI or GSSA position in another unit. You can view listings at careers.umich.edu
Some of our donor scholarships require application materials (resume and essay, etc) and review by faculty. Students have to submit application materials to be considered for those scholarships that's why they are offered in the fall (2019 - 2020) for students enrolled in the program.
Generally the only option to receive free housing would be to apply to become a Resident Assistant. There are also a few scholarship type programs that may offer free housing (Telluride program, etc).

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I have been admitted but I am a bit worried that after being out of school for a few years that I may struggle with the course load or academic assignments. I was wondering if there is anyway to fully prepare or perhaps are the professors and a writing assistance available while in the program? Just support I guess.	We do offer writing support from our Career Services Offices. Professors are accessible for assistance as well. There will also be some online orientation related courses for you to engage in over the summer (you will receive an email). You are also more than welcome to take our Micro Masters courses for free.
I have had research accomplishments relevant to the admissions process that I would like to add to what my application says. Where should I send this?	You may email them to ssw.msw.info@umich.edu with your name and stating to add to application., Application :)
Who would you send new research accomplishments to add to the consideration of your application?	You may email us at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu
What is the best track for people who want to be sex therapists/educators/researchers?	I would recommend that you focus on Interpersonal Practice and Mental Health.
Would you make a special method/minor concentration for sex therapy/education/research?	Dr. Kattari teaches in this area so you could likely take course with her and/or create independent study courses to go more in depth in this area. The school offers a post MSW sex therapy certificate as well.
What does a typical class schedule look like for the 16 month program?	You can view sample course plans here: http://ssw.umich.edu/assets/course-planning-worksheets/
How many semester/months if I am to add a practice method minor?	Minors can be done within your 16 or 20 month programs. You use electives to fulfill them.
Can you select 2 specialization and certificate Options?	Generally no. Students will only have 9 credits of electives while in the program and most specializations or certificates require 6-9 credits. There are also field placement implications for many of those as well
I'm open to but not set on doing therapy. However, I'm very interested in obtaining a LMSW. Will the school be able to assist students pursuing this path (i.e. setting up for supervision)?	To obtain a LMSW in Michigan, one must complete 4000 hours of post MSW work experience, 100 hours of supervision and pass the ASWB Clinical Exam. Post MSW experience and supervision are often obtained in a graduate's place of employment and clinical work is very broad (case management, therapy, education of client, etc). Supervision not provided (the exception) has to be purchased and arranged by the graduate.

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Where can I find a list of fundamental/basic courses we will be taking this fall?	You can see a list of sample schedules here: http://ssw.umich.edu/assets/course-planning-worksheets/
How do we find out about the Micro-masters program?	Please feel free to contact our office at 734-936-0961 to schedule an appointment with one of our advisors to discuss the Micro-Master program, You can view more info. here: https://ssw.umich.edu/programs/micromasters You can schedule a time to chat with either Erin Zimmer or Tim Colenback by calling 734-936-0961.
If there is a specific location that we are extremely interested in having as our field placement, is there anything you recommend we do to have a higher chance in securing a spot?	As long as it is an approved site, I would recommend making sure that your field application materials align with that agency but you must also interview and be selected by the agency.
Is there a writing lab available for MSW students?	Yes. To get help on papers we have a writing center in the Office of Student Services. Betsy Williams is the Writing Coordinator.
So for the 20 month, the summer is off, or are we working in a specific field?	There are not classes and field placement for the spring/summer term.
Does it cost extra to have a minor?	No, as long as you are a full-time student, it does not cost extra to add a minor. A minor can be incorporated into the 45 or 60 credit program.
For the 20 month program, is the first field placement more general than the second?	Both field placements are focused on your practice method and area. The first term is foundation field. All additional terms are advanced field instruction.
If you already selected a 20 month program schedule, can you change that after accepting your offer?	Yes, absolutely. Please email us at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu with your request prior to beginning the program
Can you get a field placement at Michigan's hospital if you are not in the Integrated Health Scholars Program?	Yes! Michigan Medicine has field placement options for many other students. Tune into the field placement webinar on April 17 at 5pm for more details on the field placement process.
Is there a tuition difference between the 16 and 20 month programs?	Both programs are 4 months so the cost is very similar. Typically students do not make their determination based upon cost.

Question
When do we register for classes?
We start applying for field placements in April/May right? Just wanting to make sure I'm on the right track after being accepted.
Is the SEED orientation required?
For advanced standing, we are at the same field site for our entire time of enrollment right?
Is there anything we need to be doing now to prepare us for the fall? I know we will be emailed information (registering for classes, field placement, etc) - I guess I just don't want to fall behind during this waiting period. Especially now that my financial aid stuff has been completed.
Maybe I missed it, what can we be doing besides filling out info for financial aid, while waiting to register for classes and preparing for field placement? Don't want to not be prepared.
How do we get on payment plans?
Will we be emailed everything we need to start the field process for advanced standing?
When do we sign up for the field webinar on April 17th?
When will the students attending in the fall be emailed for field placement applications and registering for classes?

Answer
Registration, which will be done online via Wolverine Access, will occur this summer. Please expect to receive an email in late-spring with more information!
12- and 20-month students will begin the field placement process over starting in April/May. 16-month students will start the process during their first fall semester.
It is highly recommended. If you are unable to attend you'll want to email ssw.msw.info@umich.edu so we can get you important info.
Yes.
I always recommend meeting visiting a class, and touring the school. I also recommend meeting with an advisor. You can set that up by filling this form: https://ssw.umich.edu/admissions/connect/visit
I would recommend scheduling a phone or in person meeting with an admissions counselor. We can talk through next steps so you are well prepared to enter the program: 734-936-0961.
You can find info. about payment plans here: http://www.finance.umich.edu/finops/student/um-payment-plan
Yes, you will get detailed info. and the webinar will walk you through the process.
An email will be sent out soon with information a link to register for the webinar.
We will send the first informational email (with field information) in early April. Registration information will be emailed in June.

Question
When can I expect to hear back on whether I got accepted or not if I applied in February?
For the field office ...can you please provide an email?
How many field placements are open at the Veterans Affairs?
I was waitlisted for the Integrated Health Scholarship Program, when will I know if a spot becomes available? I assume those selected were given a date to accept the scholarship program.
Will we receive an email if we are accepted into the special program?
How much is the deposit once accepted, and when is this due by? Where would one go to submit the deposit?
Does the 300 dollar deposit go towards tuition?
Are there any Assistantships provided to MSW students?
If you do a Practice Method Minor in Community Organization, could you still apply to the Community-Based Initiative Special Program?
I'm going to be a child/youth therapist. Is there a specific specialization, etc. you recommend with wanting to be a child / youth therapist?
Is this program open to accepting students who have earned their Bachelor's degree a few years ago. (i.e. non-traditional students)

Answer
We will review your application as soon as possible. We do not have definitive date for admissions decisions for those that may apply after December 1st
ssw.ofi@umich.edu
You can talk with the Office of Field Instruction about the specific number however, we do have placements and several VAs in the area.
Unfortunately, there is no set timeline. A final decision will be sent at the earliest date possible.
Yes, you will receive notice via email.
The deposit is \$300. You will be given a deadline on your admission letter.
Yes, the enrollment deposit is applied toward tuition/fees.
There are many throughout the university. Please explore the career website http://careers.umich.edu/
Students in the CBI program must select Community Org. Management, or Social Policy & Eval. as their practice method. They could have a minor in another macro method (not interpersonal practice) if they have enough electives to complete it.
I recommend applying for Detroit Clinical Scholars , HRSA, and Child Welfare. Interpersonal Practice along with either Mental Health or Children and Youth are the best concentrations to consider.
Absolutely! There is no time frame for how long ago one may have received the undergrad degree.

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When is the last date to submit your application for this Fall 2019? Are students still accepted after the March 1st Early deadline?	Our fall 2019 MSW application will close on August 1, 2019; however, if you are interested in fall 2019, I strongly encourage you to apply at the earliest date possible.
How much weight is placed on one's recommendation letters?	Recommendation letters are very important however, we closely consider all required application materials.
Are any of the field placements working within the UN?	I do not believe we are working with the UN. I recommend checking in with Katie Lopez and if not, see which placements can provide similar training.
I applied for the joint MSW/MPH Program and I have only heard back from MSW. How will I be able to go about that?	You would need to contact the School of Public Health regarding your MPH application. If you are admitted to MPH, then you would be a dual MSW/MPH. If you are not admitted to MPH, then you would be an MSW student.
Are the special program scholarship decisions made already?	We use a modified rolling process. Decisions are emailed at the earliest date possible.
When do we need to accept our position in the program by?	Your due date for enrollment deposit and confirming your spot in the program was included in the letter of acceptance. If you need to check, please contact our office at 734-936-0961.
What is the theoretical orientation of U-M when it comes to psychotherapy?	It varies - CBT, Motivational Interviewing, DBT, etc. Variations depend upon the field placement setting and/or training/research focus of faculty teaching the course.
Does U-M offer any coursework on psychodynamic therapy or has it hired any faculty who are interested in that mode of therapy? Secondly, how likely is it for field placements to provide substantive training for psychodynamic modes and other similar modes?	The MSW program offers some coursework specific to various modalities, not specific to psychodynamic therapy. You are more than welcome to review our faculty bios via ssw.umich.edu to identify faculty training and interests. Please feel free to contact the office of field instruction about specific opportunities obtaining training in psychodynamic therapy.
What are the demographic statistics for the student body of the MSW program or where might we find this information? Thanks!	Hi there! Here is the 2018 Class profile https://ssw.umich.edu/programs/msw/class-profile . We are still admitting students so this info. for fall 2019 will be available in September.

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<p>Earlier it was explained that students w/out cars will have limited field options. Just how limited will we be? And do students find that not having a car significantly lowers quality of life in general for being in the Ann Arbor area? Thanks.</p>	<p>There are no public transportation options available from Ann Arbor to the Detroit area (or at least available options require a long travel time) therefore not having a vehicle does limit your choices for being able to successfully engage in placements in the Detroit area. Not having a vehicle does not limit quality of life as there are several experiences within the Ann Arbor area. There is a connector bus that goes from campus to our Detroit Center location during the day, therefore you are able to experience our larger metro area.</p>
<p>What percentage of field placements are in the Detroit area?</p>	<p>You are more than welcome to contact the Office of Field Instruction but many of our students are placed in the metro Detroit area as it is the largest area within a 40 min driving distance to service marginalized populations.</p>
<p>Where do I go to schedule an advising appointment to discuss my practice method and to add a minor possibly? Thank you!</p>	<p>Hi there! Please fill out this form: https://ssw.umich.edu/admissions/connect/visit You can also a tour and lunch.</p>
<p>As a commuter, I am wondering if there is parking specifiially for commuters, or a parking structure I could by a pass for per semester? Thank you!</p>	<p>This website will help you with questions about parking. There are a variety of parking structures on campus. https://ltp.umich.edu/parking/students.php</p>
<p>I think I made a mistake based on some information we were just given. I said on my application that I preferred a 16 month program, but my BS is not a BSW. Is there a way to ammend my application in order to indicate that I would like to be considered for whatever program length is allowed for with my BS?</p>	<p>The 16 or 20 month program is open to students who do not have a BSW. If you would like to check your program plan, please call 734-936-0961.</p>
<p>Is there a certficiate for working with the LGBTQ+ population and is there potential field placement that works directly with this population?</p>	<p>Yes. Through Rackham. https://lsa.umich.edu/women/graduates/graduate-certificate-programs/lgbtq-studies.html The school of social work offers a varierty of classes on working with the LGBTQ+ community.</p>
<p>I have yet to be accepted, but have other MSW programs offers. Is there a date when all decisions will be made by?</p>	<p>Unfortunately, we do not have a set timeline for decisions aside from applications that met the December 1 deadline. They received communication from us by March 1. This may give you time perspective. We use a modified rollling process. Feel free to contact us directly to check on the status of your application.</p>

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Do you think it would be possible for a student in the advanced standing program to also be able to work at the same time?	We recommend that because our program is full time that students work no more than 20 hours a week. Jobs will require flexibility as classes and field primarily take place during the day and during the week.
What is the process if I'm interested in the Master's International Volunteer Program?	You will need to apply to the Peace Corps at least by September 1st. More details can be found here: https://ssw.umich.edu/peacecorps/masters-international
Is there graduate housing?	Yes! Munger and Northwood. Please review the housing website https://housing.umich.edu/graduate-rates/
Are there Social Work Student Caucuses? For example, Latinx Social Work Caucus?	The School of Social Work offers many student organizations that may be based upon various identity groups. LatinX is in fact one of our student groups. You can see groups here: https://ssw.umich.edu/studentorgs
What is the process of receiving our field placement?	You will apply for field by submitting a resume, goal statement, review the field sites and rank sites of interest and interview at the site to make sure it's a good fit. This happens at different times of year based upon your curriculum schedule. The field webinar will walk you through the field applicaion steps.
When can we submit a request for exemption from SW 522? And what is the criteria to be exempt?	July through August. Information will be sent in May. You will need to show the courses that you took that are similar to the content covered in the 522 course. It is also required that you received at least a B in the courses. The courses cannot be older than 6 years.
Do classes start September 3rd for the Micromasters MSW program?	Yes. All students beginning the MSW program begin classes on Sept 3rd. MicroMasters courses must be complete by June 15th.
How will we find out our class schedule?	We will have course planning tools and a webinar available prior to registration. Incoming MSW will also have the opportunity to schedule an individual course planning appointment if they have questions after viewing the online course planning tools.
For the advanced standing program when should I be applying for my internship?	May :) You will be recieving information starting in April.

Question
When should I start building my schedule for the Advanced Standing program?
When is the official start date for Advanced Standing participants
Is what we put as our specialization on our application permanent or can we change that before we start in the fall?
Is it possible to do a special program in the 12 month program?
Is there a way I can sit down with someone in person to make sure I am on the right track with my admission and to make sure I am enrolled in the right programs, options, etc?
Do they give information about parking on campus if you already live in Ann Arbor
If we are in the 16month program do we send in our Field Placement information by May even though we don't start F/P until January?
For Field Placement, can you basically apply to go anywhere, you just need to submit that information?

Answer
You can meet with an advisor now to go over the classes you may be taking. Course planning will occur in June and that is highly encouraged to plan out your year.
All MSW students being with the fall term. Classes begin September 3, 2019. Orientation is August 27-30.
You may change your concentration choices by contacting the Office of Student Services. Sometimes changes effect special programs and field options, so if you have questions, please discuss with OSS staff. Email OSS at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu or call 734-936-0961.
Yes. HRSA and Detroit Clinical Scholars will allow you to complete the program in 12 months. Other special scholarship programs except for Integrated Health would allow you to complete your 45 credits in 16-months. Integrated Health will require you to renounce advanced standing.
Yes, please call our office at (734) 936-0961 to schedule an appointment.
There is a parking structure on South Forest and throughout the campus area. Most students utilize the commuter lots as this is a free option. More details can be found at: https://ltp.umich.edu/parking/students.php
Most 16-month students will apply for field in October. You should view the webinar to see if there are any specific reasons that you should apply in May.
You must select one of our approved field placement site. If you have a site that is not approved, you are more than welcome to speak with the Office of Field Instruction about the possiblity of assessing that site, The field site must be within our database (500+ sites). It is possible to set up a new site, however you will need to work with the Office of Field Instruction early as this takes time.

Question	Answer
What is work-study?	Federal Work-Study is a financial aid program for students who have financial need. The program funds part-time jobs, allowing students to earn money to help pay educational expenses. Under the Work-Study program, a percentage of students' earnings is paid through federal funds, with the remainder paid by the student's employer. Please review detailed information at https://finaid.umich.edu/work-study-other-jobs/#
Is possible to tour the campus mid april 2019 and talk to speak to a MSW faculty or current student?	Hi there! Yes please fill out this form to schedule a tour https://ssw.umich.edu/admissions/connect/visit :)
Does the SSW chose an academic advisor for students of that is the responsibility of the student?	The School will assign an advisor. Incoming MSW will receive the name of their advisor at Fall SEED Orientation.
Are there field placement at the university?	Yes. There are many!
Can a student make a choice to be placed at the university?	You can indicate this interest on your application. You will be assigned a field faculty once the application is submitted for field in May if you are an incoming 20-month student or Advanced standing student. If you are an incoming 16month student you will apply for field in October. You can work with your field instructor to find the right placement for you at the university.
How do admitted and enrolled students get a UM email?	You should be sent an email with a link directing you to make an email soon! Once an admitted student accepts an offer of admission and pays the required enrollment <u>deposit, an email is sent with information on creating a UM</u>
Does the university have or recommend a realtor in case one want a out campus housing?	The University does not recommend realtors however the housing department may have some resources for you to explore. You can also visit offcampushousing.umich.edu
If you have been selected into a scholar program, does field placement happen the same as others who are not in that program? Will additional information be sent? Thank you!	If you are in a scholar program, your field placement is going to be dependent on your program length. The field office will reach out to the appropriate group of students when it is your time to begin the field process.
Are graduate assistant positions offered through the MSW program?	Unfortunately, not anymore. There may be some in special departments that will come up throughout the year.

Question
Does the MSW program consist of more online courses or in-class courses?
Is the MSW program CACREP accredited?
Is it possible to switch from the 20 month program to the 16 month program?
Where do the study abroad placements take place?
If someone is close to 3.5 on their GPA but in the advanced standing program, would they be unable to stay in the program?

Answer
In-Class courses. There are some foundation courses that are hybrid- half online/half in person
No. We are accredited by CSWE
Yes please email ssw.msw.info@umich.edu with a request :) ,Yes. Please email us your request at ssw.msw.info@umich.edu at the earliest date possible.
Please review the Office of Global Activities website : https://ssw.umich.edu/offices/global-activities
If you did not meet advanced standing criteria, then you would be asked to select either the 16 or 20 month curriculum schedule.