Welcome to Virtual Open House

The webinar will begin at 12pm
Session Housekeeping

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Send Us Questions

- Simply type your question into the “question box” at any time during the session.
- All questions will be responded to publicly unless you type “private” in front of your question in which case we will send you an individual response. No names are shown on the screen.
- Recorded Session and Slides will be posted:
  - https://ssw.umich.edu/r/virtualopenhouse2018
Welcome
Mary Ruffolo, Associate Dean for Educational Programs and Professor of Social Work

MSW Curriculum and Upcoming Timelines
Erin Zimmer, Associate Director for Student Services

Helpful Field Instruction Information
Bill Vanderwill, Field Educator
Susan Crabb, Field Educator

Global Social Work Options
Katie Lopez, Assistant Director of Office of Global Activities

Current Student Experience
Paola Arroyo, Current MSW Student

Career Service Resources for New Students
Michelle Woods, Director of Career Services

Wrap Up and Q&A
Welcome!

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Curriculum Options & New Student Timeline

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MSW Concentration 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
Practice Method Minor

- 6 credits of elective needed for minor
- 171 hours of field instruction devoted to minor
- Allows you to gain experience in another area of social work
- May narrow field placement options
Curriculum Schedules

- Advanced Standing
  - 16-month
  - 20-month
- Extended Degree
- Extra Term Option
- MicroMasters MSW
- Masters International Volunteer Program
Specialization Programs

- Child Welfare Scholarship
- Community-Based Initiative
- Detroit Clinical Scholars Program
- Geriatric Scholarship
- Global Activities Scholars Program
- Integrated Health Scholars Program
- HRSA Integrated Behavioral Health and Primary Care Trainee Program
- Jewish Communal Leadership Program
- Masters International Volunteer Program
- National Community Scholars Program
- New Leaders in African-Centered Social Work Scholars Program

*Programs in yellow are no longer accepting applications for Fall 2018.*
Specialization and Certificate Options

- Certificate in Child Welfare
- Certificate in Global Social Work
- Specialist in Aging Certificate
- Social Work in Public Schools
- Human Services Management Certificate
Dual Degree Programs

- Social Work and Business Administration
- Social Work and Law
- Social Work in Public Health
- Social Work and Public Policy
- Social Work and Urban and Regional Planning
- Social Work and Information
- Self-Initiated Dual Degree (ex. Education)
To speak with an admissions counselor about the best program plan for your career goals, call 734-936-0961.

Send an email to ssw.msw.info@umich.edu to change the following:

• Practice Method
• Practice Area
• Add/Delete Practice Method Minor
• Curriculum Schedule (16 month, 20 month, advanced standing)
New Student Timeline

• **Early April** – Welcome letter and field placement information email to matriculated students

• **April 18th** – Field Placement Webinar

• **May 17th** - Field Application Due
  (for students beginning field in fall term)

• **Early May** – Registration and course planning information is sent via e-mail
New Student Timeline Cont.

- **Late June** – View online course advising information
- **July/August** – Optional individual course planning (by phone or in person)
- **July/August** – Register for classes
- **August 27 – 31**: Attend SEED mini course and New Student Orientation
- **September 4th** – Classes and Field Instruction Begin
Field Instruction

William Vanderwill

Susan Crabb

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Why?

• Field Placement is designed to help the student increase their knowledge, comprehension, and application of the CSWE competencies.

  – Students are expected to:
    • Integrate life experiences, classroom education, previous work/volunteer experiences and apply them to field
    • Reflect on their strengths and areas for growth
How?

- 25% of your graduate education is in field placement (15/60 credits)
- Placed by method and concentration
  - Students should add to the breadth to their knowledge and not do what they have already done
  - Completing the application process gives us an idea of what you are looking to learn in field
  - Students will lay the foundation for lifelong learning
Career Timeline

School begins

Graduation

Learning throughout your career

Retirement
What?

• Sample field placement activities:
  – Provide individuals with durable power of attorney paperwork, and assist in the completion
  – Develop a curriculum for an anger management group
  – Be part of a team doing a needs assessment
  – Organize a community around a social justice issue
  – Develop a program evaluation project with a team
Critical components

• Transportation to and from field is your responsibility. If you don’t have access to a car, your options for field placements will be limited. Most sites either require a car to get to the agency, or require a car while at field for community meetings or client site visits.

• Many students come in with a preference for long-term therapy placements. However, Interpersonal Practice (IP) is defined in many ways, and very few sites offer opportunities for long-term therapy.
Now What?

• Reflect on your goals and why you are considering social work
• Expect to be uncomfortable. Field should stretch your abilities as you prepare for a professional career
• Be open to new experiences & get ready to venture outside your comfort zone
Office of Global Activities

Katie Lopez, LMSW
Assistant Director

Kaisha Brezina
Global Opportunities Coordinator
Global Social Work Options

- Global Activities Scholars Program (GASP) - 16 month
- Global field placements - 16 month
- Local field placements with a global focus - all tracks
- Global Independent Study - all tracks
- Certificate in Global Social Work - all tracks
- Masters International Volunteer Program - 20-month or Advanced Standing
- Peace Corps Coverdell Fellows - 16 month
- And more...
Global Independent Study Grants

ssw.umich.edu/offices/global-activities/global-independent-study
Masters International Volunteer Program

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
- The University of Michigan School of Social Work Peace Corps Masters at Michigan program will allow students interested in working in the areas of youth development or health to incorporate 27 months of Peace Corps service into their MSW program.
- Students earn an MSW degree from U-M in four years including 27 months of significant international professional experience in a country overseas.

PROGRAM FUNDING
UPON COMPLETION OF PEACE CORPS
Nonresident Student:
- $10,000 total award (Advanced Standing/45 credit hour program students)
- $20,000 total award (60 credit hour program students)
Resident Student:
- $5,000 total award (Advanced Standing/45 credit hour program students)
- $10,000 total award (60 credit hour program students)

LAUREN BIRKS
PRACTICE METHOD CONCENTRATIONS
INTERPERSONAL PRACTICE
PRACTICAL AREA
CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN FAMILIES AND SOCIETY
FIELD PLACEMENT
MARGARET UPPER ELEMENTARY IN WAYNE WESTLAND

In 2014, Lauren Birks had completed the first year of her MSW program. She moved to Costa Rica and served as a youth development volunteer with the Peace Corps, where her projects were centered on wet, recreation and the work to positively influence self-esteem in youth. Now that Lauren has completed her two-year Peace Corps commitment, she continues to hone her skills working with children in her field placement as she completes her MSW.

Through the School of Social Work’s MSW program, Lauren took a global social work class. “The University of Michigan has great classes to help us prepare for the Peace Corps,” Lauren said, “and my classmates and I will be lifelong friends.”

“An out-of-state student, the scholarship offered by the School helped everything fall into place and made it so much easier to say yes to the University of Michigan.”

“I agree with the Peace Corps’ unofficial motto: the hardest job you’ll ever love, I’m really going to miss it.”

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Application Deadlines

- Local field placements with a global focus - normal field placement deadline
- Masters International Volunteer Program – August 31\(^{\text{th}}\)
- Global field placements - Oct 25\(^{\text{th}}\)
- Global independent studies – Dec 2\(^{\text{nd}}\)
- Peace Corps Fellows - past
- Global Activities Scholars Program - past
Student Funding

- Global field placements – $6,000
- Global Independent Study – $2,000
- Masters International Volunteer Program funding in the term(s) following successful completion of Peace Corps Service
Thank You!

We look forward to meeting you this fall.

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The Current Student Experience

Detroit Clinical Scholar
Method: Interpersonal Practice
Area: Mental Health
Track: 16-month (with a fifth term)
Field Placement: Southwest Counseling Solutions
Expected Graduation: April 2018
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Career Services

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How can I make use of the Career Services now?

We can help review your resume and goal statement in preparation for field placement.
How do I get my resume and goal statement reviewed by Career Services staff?

Just email your documents as attachments to: ssw-cso@umich.edu by May 7, 2018.

*Please no PDFs
What are some of the other services provided by the Career Services?

- Workshops
- Alumni Networking Opportunities
- Licensure Information
- Writing Assistance
- ePorfolio Development
- Mock Interviews
Thank You!

We look forward to supporting you as students and future alumni.

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Session Wrap Up

Any questions??
Where can I find up-to-date info. for incoming students?

Admitted Student Resources Webpage:
http://ssw.umich.edu/admissions/msw/admitted-students

Contact the Office of Student Services:
734-936-0961 or ssw.msw.info@umich.edu
Connect with SSW

Thank you for your interest in the University of Michigan School of Social Work. SSW represents a remarkable collective of researchers, teachers and practitioners who provide a unique educational experience for our students.

We also have the resources of U-M, a top academic and research institution, providing you with the opportunity to work with other students and faculty across the health sciences, business, law, the arts, etc.

We invite you to join us and take advantage of what SSW and U-M have to offer you.

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We look forward to seeing you soon in Ann Arbor!