

Social Work - Advanced Standing - Advanced Generalist, MSW

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Are you passionate about helping others and promoting social justice? Join diverse faculty and dedicated students to become a well-prepared master's-level social work practitioner and a leader in advocacy and policy change.

Program description

Degree awarded: MSW Social Work - Advanced Standing - Advanced Generalist

The advanced standing advanced generalist specialization of the MSW builds on mastery of the generalist foundation to increase the depth and breadth of practice.

Students learn both the micro skills of direct practice and macro skills of community development. Advanced generalist faculty emphasize the distinct characteristics of social work services helpful in both nonprofit settings and the small and rural community context.

The Master of Social Work program is consistent with the purpose of the social work profession to alleviate human suffering, enhance well-being and promote social justice with an emphasis on southwest populations.

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

At a glance

- **College/School:** [Watts College of Public Service & Community Solut](#)
- **Location:** [West Valley, ASU at Yuma](#)

Degree requirements

39 credit hours including the required applied project course (SWG 693)

Required Core (3 credit hours)

SWG 510 Foundation Practice I (3) or
SWG 514 Bridge Seminar I (3)

Advanced Generalist Coursework (30 credit hours)

SWG 515 Bridge Seminar II (3)
SWG 516 Social Work Skills Seminar (3)
SWG 606 Assessment of Mental Disorders (3)
SWG 610 Advanced Social Work Practice III (3)
SWG 614 Advanced Generalist Social Work Practice IV (3)
SWG 623 Program Evaluation (3)
SWG 632 Policy Practice (3)
SWG 640 Professional Seminar II: Applying Theory to Advanced Generalist Social Work Practice (3)
SWG 645 Advanced Generalist Practicum I (3)
SWG 646 Advanced Generalist Practicum II (3)

Restricted Electives (3 credit hours)**Culminating Experience (3 credit hours)**

SWG 693 Applied Project (3)

Additional Curriculum Information

Students in this program hold an undergraduate Council on Social Work Education-accredited BSW in social work or equivalent degree.

The academic unit advises and monitors students to ensure they choose the appropriate coursework. Core course selection depends on the student's background.

Students complete a practicum and an applied project.

Advanced generalist and other requirement coursework may be substituted with approval of the academic unit.

The number of credit hours required for restricted electives depends on the credit hour path chosen. Students should see the academic unit for a complete list of approved electives.

Admission requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions.

Applicants must have a BSW from a Council on Social Work Education-accredited program with a minimum GPA of 3.20 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last two years of work leading to the Bachelor of

Social Work (junior and senior GPA). Applicants must have received their Bachelor of Social Work degree no more than six years prior to the date of admission to the MSW program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work
3. three letters of reference
4. professional resume that includes volunteer and paid work experience
5. statement of educational and career goals
6. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide [proof of English proficiency](#) regardless of their current residency.

A combination of academic and professional references is desirable. References from friends, family members or personal therapists are not accepted. At least one of the three required references must be from the applicant's Bachelor of Social Work field instructor or, if employed in a social work-related job for two or more years, from the applicant's supervisor.

Guidelines for writing the statement can be found on the [program website](#).

Applicants should see the program website for application deadlines, and they should contact the School of Social Work with any questions about the application process.

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Program learning outcomes

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Plan, implement and evaluate evidence-based interventions
- Apply professional social work theories to working with diverse, oppressed and marginalized populations in both micro and macro practice
- Apply professional values and ethics during the advanced generalist internship

Career opportunities

Graduates are prepared to be practitioners who deliver culturally competent, ethical interventions that range from complex case management and practice with individuals (micro); families and groups

(mezzo); to affecting social change by developing skills in organization, administration, policy development and community practice (macro).

Career examples include:

- community outreach coordinator
- hospital or school social worker
- mental health advocate
- program specialist
- social services manager or director

Professional licensure

ASU programs that may lead to professional licensure or certification are intended to prepare students for potential licensure or certification in Arizona. Completion of an ASU program may not meet educational requirements for licensure or certification in another state. For more information, students should visit the [ASU professional licensure](#) webpage.

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