



**College of Social Work**  
 THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH  
**MSW/MPA Dual Degree Program**  
**Course Checklist**

It is **your responsibility** to ensure that your degree and licensing requirements are met. Your academic advisor is available to help you. Please meet with the academic advisor for each program at least once per academic year to ensure you are on track.

**Year One (MSW only)**

**Fall Required Courses:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6550	Nonprofit and Nongovernmental Organizations	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6001	Practice I: Assessment, Engagement, Intervention, and Evaluation	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6030	HBSE Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6040	DSM and Psychopathology	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6240	Social Policies and Programs: Advocacy and Analysis for Justice	3 credit hours

**15 credit hours**

**Spring Required Courses:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6002	Practice II	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6110	Research for Social Work Practice	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6120	Diversity & Social Justice: Reflexive & Ethical Social Work Practice I	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6140	Community-Based Strategies for Social Change	3 credit hours

**12 credit hours**

**Year Two**

**Fall Required Courses:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6220	Diversity & Social Justice: Reflexive and Ethical Social Work Practice II	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6511*	Field Practicum I	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6300	Administrative Theory	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6380	Public Budgeting and Finance	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6xxx	Elective	3 credit hours

**15 credit hours**

**Spring Required Courses:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6512*	Field Practicum II	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6210	Public Administration & Law	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6335	Governance and the Economy	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6xxx	Elective	3 credit hours

**12 credit hours**

**Year Three**

**Fall Required Courses:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6xxx	Practice I in Area of Focus	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6xxx	Advanced Practice outside Area of Focus (counts as elective)	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6521**	Advanced Field Practicum I	4 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6870	Seminar: Public Administration and Ethics	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6890	Capstone in Public Administration	3 credit hours

**16 credit hours**

**Spring Required Courses:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6xxx	Practice II in Area of Focus	3 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6xxx	Elective (suggested 1 credit Interdisciplinary Seminar on Aging or Independent Study)	1 credit hour
<input type="checkbox"/>	SW6522**	Advanced Field Practicum II	4 credit hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	PADMN6360	Public Human Resource Management	3 credit hours

**11 credit hours**

## Credit Hour Requirements

MSW Core	33	MPA Core	24
MSW Electives	4	MPA Electives	6
MSW Practicum	14		
<b>Total MSW</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>Total MPA</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>MSW+MPA = 81 Credit Hours</b>			

## Grades:

- MSW students must earn a C+ or better in each of the MSW required courses including Practicum to take the second course in any sequenced courses (e.g., Practice I and Practice II) and in order to move forward in the program
- MSW students must maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA in order to be in good academic standing

## Coursework:

- First-year MSW courses are held during the day on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Second- and third-year MSW courses are held during the day on Thursdays and Fridays. Core courses are only taught in specific semesters as indicated.
- MPA classes are taught more than one time per year including summer semester. Dual-degree students should consult with the [MPA Program Manager](#) when changing proposed semesters for MPA classes, and the MSW Academic Advisor must be notified to keep the Program of Study up to date.
- Courses may not count for the other program's requirements (i.e., MSW elective counting toward MPA elective)

\*\*\*Note: MSW students must take an Advanced Practice class outside their area of focus in either fall or spring of year three.

## Practicum:

- MSW Practicum (fieldwork) is completed on weekdays not scheduled for classes. The majority of practicum placements take place during normal business hours. Therefore, evening/weekend opportunities are likely to be limited.

\*Note: MSW students can complete foundation practicum SW6511/SW6512 either-

1. in a summer block placement following the first year (approx. 35 hours/week) **or**
2. Practicum I fall and Practicum II spring semester of the second year (approx. 15 hours/week).

\*\*Note: MSW students can complete advanced practicum SW 6521/6522 either-

1. in fall and spring of the third year (approx. 20 hours/week) **or**
2. in a summer block placement following the third year (approx. 42 hours/week) with summer semester graduation.

## Notes: