

Advanced Standing MSW Online Program Mental Health Area of Focus Course Checklist

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

Sum	mer Requi	red Courses:				
	SW6040	DSM and Psychopathology	3 credit hours			
	SW6121	Bridge – Reflexive	1 credit hour			
	SW6200	Bridge – Practice	3 credit hours			
	SW6631					
	SW6634	3 credit hours				
	SW6637	Social Work Advocacy and PR Skills Motivational Interviewing	3 credit hours			
			15 credit hours			
Fall Required Courses:						
	SW6220	Diversity & Social Justice: Reflexive and Ethical Social Work Practice II	3 credit hours			
	SW6401	Mental Health Practice I: Children and Adolescents	3 credit hours			
	SW6521	Specialist Field Practicum I	4 credit hours			
	SW6740*	Substance Use Practice I: Evidence-Based Principles and Therapeutic	3 credit hours			
		Alliance				
	SW6632	Cognitive Behavioral Therapy	2 credit hours			
			15 credit hours			
Spring Required Courses:						
	SW6402	Mental Health Practice II: Adults and Aging	3 credit hours			
	SW6522	Specialist Field Practicum II	4 credit hours			
	SW6630	Telemental Health	2 credit hours			
Elective Courses – Choose two 3-credit courses from the list below:						
	SW6633	Dialectic Behavioral Therapy	3 credit hours			
	SW6635	Solution Focused Therapy	3 credit hours			
	SW6636	Trauma Focused-Cognitive Behavioral Therapy	3 credit hours			
	SW6638	ACT and Mindfulness	3 credit hours			
			15 credit hours			

Total to graduate: 45 credit hours

Courses:

- All courses will be held online. These courses are largely asynchronous; however, some courses may require a very limited number of synchronous sessions that are facilitated via Zoom.
- Practicum (fieldwork) is completed on weekdays in your general geographic area. The majority of practicum placements are during normal business hours. Evening/weekend opportunities are likely to be unavailable.

Grades:

• MSW students must earn a C+ or better in each of the required courses, including Practicum, to

- take the second course in any sequenced courses (e.g., Practice I and Practice II) and to move forward in the program.
- Advanced Standing students may not take fall and spring coursework unless all Bridge courses and SW6040 DSM and Psychopathology are passed with a grade of C+ or better.
- MSW students must maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA to be in good academic standing.

Additional Coursework:

- Students in the online cohort will take courses in the Mental Health area of focus.
- *Students in the online cohort must take Substance Use Practice I in fall semester as their advanced practice course outside of the Mental Health area of focus.
- School Social Work is not an area of focus. School Social Work courses count as elective credit courses, and only students admitted to the School Social Work career path may take these courses.

Reminders:

- Students may take up to 16 credit hours in any one semester, without requiring pre-approval from the MSW Program Director and the Dean of the Graduate School.
- Students in the Advanced Standing program must successfully complete a minimum of 45 credit hours.
- Only courses offered within the MSW Online Program may be taken (section numbers 290, 291).
- Registration is by permission code. Your advisor will send registration information and permission codes ahead of each semester. Your seat in each course is reserved.
- Students are not guaranteed their first choice in elective courses.

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