

USC Social Work Launches New MSW Curriculum Starting Fall 2022

*Reimagined curriculum offers flexible, accessible and rigorous training
for a career in social justice*

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Los Angeles, CA (June 15, 2022) — The USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work has announced that beginning in fall 2022, the school will offer a reimagined Master of Social Work (MSW) curriculum as an option for all incoming students. Reengineered with student needs in mind, the new Integrative Social Work program offers in-depth training on a 42-credit hour timeline, at an accessible price point that puts a career in social justice in reach for more people.

“Our new curriculum is based on extensive input from current and prospective students, alumni, and major social work employers,” said Sarah Gehlert, dean and Ernest P. Larson Professor of Health, Ethnicity, and Poverty at the Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work. “At this time, when social workers are in more demand than ever, we are proud to offer an even stronger preparation for meaningful and transformative careers in social justice and social well-being of individuals, families, and communities around the world.”

Intensive and highly interactive, the reimagined USC graduate social work curriculum is designed for the next generation of social workers. An ideal integration of theory and practice blends exceptional instruction with comprehensive fieldwork opportunities to fuel students’ pursuit of change. The rigorous and efficient program expands students’ capabilities, ignites their lifelong pursuit of social justice and propels them toward their future. USC Social Work also recognizes that the care social workers extend to others is only as good as the care they extend to themselves, so the new MSW curriculum prioritizes individual well-being, cultivating strategies of self-care that increase students’ resilience and sustains their fight for justice.

Most importantly, this new MSW curriculum is designed to be both flexible and accessible. Course loads are manageable, while the efficient, integrated 42-credit hour curriculum keeps the price point attainable. For those who want to pursue a specific area of interest, students can customize their MSW to suit both their schedule and their interests with degree program add-ons and other options for specialization.

Learn more about the new [Integrative Social Work curriculum](#) at USC.

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About the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work

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