

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (MSW) CURRICULUM SNAPSHOT FULL TIME ENROLLMENT

The Master of Social Work degree requires a minimum completion of 48-units within the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work. The following course sequence represents the general requirements for the MSW degree.

4 semesters

FIRST SEMESTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SOWK 506: Human Behavior and the Social Environment (3 units)SOWK 510: Professional Self-Care in Integrative Social Work Practice (3 units)SOWK 523: Foundations of Integrative Social Work Practice I (3 units)SOWK 591: Applied Learning in Practicum Education I (3 units)SOWK 630: Self-Awareness and Intercultural Humility in Social Work (3 units) <p>Total Semester Units: 15</p>
SECOND SEMESTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SOWK 511: Critical Decision-Making in Integrative Social Work Practice (3 units)SOWK 525: Foundations of Integrative Social Work Practice II (3 units)SOWK 536: Policy and Advocacy in Professional Social Work (3 units)SOWK 546: Science of Social Work (3 units)SOWK 593: Applied Learning in Practicum Education II (3 units) <p>Total Semester Units: 15</p>
THIRD SEMESTER	<p>Integrative Practice I (3 units)*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">SOWK 614: Social Work Practice in School Setting orSOWK 627: Practice and Policy with Children and Families Across Settings orSOWK 639: Policy Advocacy and Social Change orSOWK 643: Social Work Practice in Integrated Care Settings orSOWK 686: Integrative Practice in Military and Veteran Social Work I <p>Assessment/ Evaluation/ Research (3 units)*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">SOWK 608: Research and Evaluation in Integrative Social Work Practice orSOWK 665: Grant Writing and Program Development for Social WorkersSOWK 691: Applied Learning in Practicum Education III (3 units) <p>Total Semester Units: 9</p>
FOURTH SEMESTER	<p>Integrative Practice II (3 units)*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">SOWK 609: Social Work in Schools: Interventions Across Developmental Stage orSOWK 642: Integrative Interventions with Children, Youth and Families orSOWK 647: Advanced Practice with Complex Social Work Cases orSOWK 648: Management and Organizational Development for Social Workers orSOWK 689: Integrative Practice in Military and Veteran Social Work IISOWK 693: Applied Learning in Practicum Education IV (3 units)SOWK 6XX: Elective* (3 units) <p>Total Semester Units: 9</p>
Total Program Units: 48	

ADDITIONAL (*) INFORMATION FOR TRACKS

This version of the curriculum snapshot is in effect for the fall 2025 semester. Any student beginning track courses in fall 2025 or later will follow this curriculum snapshot.

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