



COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION

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**2025 Accreditation Standards for Practice Doctorate Social Work
Programs**

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University of Memphis Doctor of Social Work

Summary of Plan

Area of Focus: Transformative Community Leadership

Core Expertise and Skills	Instrument	Instrument: Expected Level of Achievement	Expected Level of Achievement for Core Expertise and Skill
Core Expertise and Skill 1: Advance practice through innovative approaches	Instrument 1: Comprehensive Exam	Score of 3 out of 5	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.
	Instrument 2: Capstone or Dissertation	Score of 3 out of 5	
Core Expertise and Skill 2: Use and critically evaluate research and knowledge	Instrument 1: Comprehensive Exam	Score of 3 out of 5	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.
	Instrument 2: Capstone or Dissertation	Score of 3 out of 5	
Core Expertise and Skill 3: Engage in scientific inquiry that reflects doctoral-level scholarship	Instrument 1: Comprehensive Exam	Score of 3 out of 5	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.
	Instrument 2: Capstone or Dissertation	Score of 3 out of 5	
Core Expertise and Skill 4: Develop and disseminate practice- relevant, research-informed knowledge through a variety of channels, such as teaching, scholarship, professional	Instrument 1: Comprehensive Exam	Score of 3 out of 5	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.
	Instrument 2: Capstone or Dissertation	Score of 3 out of 5	

Core Expertise and Skills	Instrument	Instrument: Expected Level of Achievement	Expected Level of Achievement for Core Expertise and Skill
presentations, mentoring, and administration			
Core Expertise and Skill 5: Provide leadership in social work practice and/or education	Instrument 1: Comprehensive Exam	Score of 3 out of 5	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.
	Instrument 2: Capstone or Dissertation	Score of 3 out of 5	
Core Expertise and Skill 6: Develop and maintain substantive expertise in one or more areas of social work practice	Instrument 1: Comprehensive Exam	Score of 3 out of 5	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.
	Instrument 2: Capstone or Dissertation	Score of 3 out of 5	

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Timeframe of Core-Expertise and Skills Assessment:
09/25 – 09/26

Date Publicly Posted on Program’s Website: 09/26

Core Expertise and Skills	Expected Level of Achievement Inclusive of All Instruments	Aggregate Actual Outcomes: All Program Options n = (2)	Program Option 1 Outcomes: Online n = (2)
Core Expertise and Skill 1: Advance practice through innovative approaches	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.	100%	100%
Core Expertise and Skill 2: Use and critically evaluate research and knowledge	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.	100%	100%
Core Expertise and Skill 3: Engage in scientific inquiry that reflects doctoral-level scholarship	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.	100%	100%
Core Expertise and Skill 4: Develop and disseminate practice-relevant, research-informed knowledge through a variety of channels, such as teaching, scholarship, professional presentations, mentoring, and administration	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.	100%	100%
Core Expertise and Skill 5: Provide leadership in social work practice and/or education	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.	100%	100%
Core Expertise and Skill 6: Develop and maintain substantive expertise in one or more areas of social work practice	80% of students achieving 3 or higher.	100%	100%