



Doctor of Social Work Program

At the University of Memphis



PROGRAM MISSION

To prepare practitioner-scholars who can generate new social work knowledge and respond to increasingly complex practice environments.

DSW PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Evaluate social work services and practice environments using twenty-first century skills in data-driven analysis and informatics.
2. Demonstrate social work leadership and management skills to respond to complex practice environments locally, nationally, and globally.
3. Educate the next generation of social workers through supervision and training to be leaders in a changing practice environment.
4. Demonstrate leadership skills in interdisciplinary environments in collaboration with diverse clients and communities.
5. Contribute to social work knowledge through research and practice.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- 3 years, 48 credit hours online
 - 30 hours of required courses
 - 12 hours of electives
 - 6 hours of capstone project
- Coursework in statistics, research, evaluation, management, and supervision.
- Electives may be used to pursue additional coursework or certificates in teaching, qualitative methods, quantitative methods, or clinical methods

PROGRAM FORMAT

- The program is entirely online
 - Cohort model
 - Some classes may require synchronous online meetings
- Two days of in-person Residency Week in Memphis are required every year
 - August every year

ADMISSIONS ELIGIBILITY

- An MSW degree from a CSWE-accredited program
- A minimum of three-year post-MSW work experience
- A completed application to the Graduate School
- Non-refundable fee (\$35 domestic, \$60 international)
- Official transcripts from ALL universities you have attended (MSW degree required)
- Three professional references on the online application
- Completed professional goal statement (submitted as part of the online application)
- A writing sample

ADMISSIONS DEADLINE

- Deadline for PRIORITY admission to the DSW program: April 1st
 - Regular deadline: May 31st
- Deadline for Graduate Assistantship application: March 1st

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- Graduate Assistantship (GA).
- Other funding opportunities/scholarships available here:
<https://www.memphis.edu/socialwork/students/scholarships.php>
- Funding may be available through research or dissertation grants.



FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO APPLY

<https://www.memphis.edu/socialwork/programs/doctoral.php>



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