

SOCIAL WORK, MSW/ CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CRIMINOLOGY, MS

Both departments in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare collaboratively offer a program designed to provide students with theoretical and practical exposure to evolving professional practice in the field of criminal justice, or social work with a focus on criminal justice (e.g., corrections, juvenile justice, probation and parole, etc).

Admission Requirements

Application Deadlines

Application deadlines vary by program, please review the application deadline chart (<http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/program-deadlines/>) for specific programs. Other important dates and deadlines can be found by using the One Stop calendars (<https://uwm.edu/onestop/dates-and-deadlines/>).

Admission

Students are admitted to both graduate programs separately and admission requirements are consistent with those specified by the UWM Graduate School, the MS in Criminal Justice & Criminology and the MSW program in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare.

Credits and Courses

Students accepted into this MS/MSW program complete the following courses:

Code	Title	Credits
Criminal Justice & Criminology		
CRM JST 773	Criminological Perspectives (G)	3
CRM JST 743	Proseminar: Administration of Criminal Justice Systems (G)	3
CRM JST 756	Proseminar: Analysis of Criminal Justice Research (G)	3
Select 12 additional credit hours of courses within the criminal justice & criminology program		12
Select 12 credit hours of Social Work courses with the consent of the student's advisor		
Students must complete the requirements of the Essay Option or Non-Essay Option as the degree capstone		
Social Work Foundation Curriculum (required before the Advanced Curriculum for students without a bachelor's degree in social work)		
SOC WRK 604	Social Systems and Social Work Practice (U/G)	3
SOC WRK 662	Methods of Social Welfare Research (U/G)	3
SOC WRK 665	Cultural Diversity and Social Work (U/G)	3
SOC WRK 705	Individual Behavior and Social Welfare (G)	3
SOC WRK 708	Social Work Methods I: Individuals and Families (G)	3
SOC WRK 709	Social Work Methods II: Groups, Organizations and Communities (G)	3

SOC WRK 721	Field Instruction I (G)	3
SOC WRK 750	Social Welfare Policy Development and Implementation (G)	3

Social Work Advanced Practice Curriculum

Required Core Courses

SOC WRK 711	Direct Social Work Practice I	3
SOC WRK 712	Advanced Practice and Leadership in Organizations and Communities	3
SOC WRK 795	Evaluation of Social Work Practice and Programs	3
SOC WRK 851	Social Issue and Policy Analysis:	3

Required Field Placement Courses

SOC WRK 722	Field Instruction II	3
SOC WRK 821	Field Instruction III	3-4
SOC WRK 822	Field Instruction IV	3-4

Electives

Select 6 credits of electives from CJC courses in consultation with advisor

Remaining elective credits for MSW degree selected from Social Work graduate courses in consultation with MSW advisor 7

Total Credits 73-75

Total Credits for Coordinated Degree: 73 (without a BSW) **or 49** (with a BSW).

The total credits for the coordinated program would typically be completed in both programs at the same time, rather than one program after the other. Degrees will be awarded simultaneously.

A student not completing the requirements for the coordinated degree program would need to complete all requirements for an individual program in order to receive a degree.

Additional Requirements

Time Limit

Students in the coordinated MS/MSW degree program must complete all degree requirements within seven years of the first enrollment semester as a degree student.

Social Work MSW Learning Outcomes

Students moving from the Professional Foundation Curriculum to the Advanced Curriculum within the Masters in Social Work (MSW) Program will be able to:

- Demonstrate ethical and professional behavior.
- Engage diversity and difference in practice.
- Advance human rights and social, economic and environmental justice.
- Engage in practice-informed research and research-informed practice.
- Engage in policy practice.
- Engage with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.
- Assess individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.
- Intervene with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.

- Evaluate practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.

Students graduating from the Masters in Social Work (MSW) Program will be able to, *at the level of an advanced practitioner*:

- Demonstrate ethical and professional behavior.
- Engage diversity and difference in practice.
- Advance human rights and social, economic and environmental justice.
- Engage in practice-informed research and research-informed practice.
- Engage in policy practice.
- Engage with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.
- Assess individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.
- Intervene with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.
- Evaluate practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.

Criminal Justice and Criminology MS Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from the MS in Criminal Justice & Criminology Program will be able to:

1. Explain the relationship between criminal justice organizations, administration, and policy. They will be able to critically assess current criminal justice policies and organizational practices.
2. Explain and critically assess criminological theories to patterns of behavior. They will be able to articulate how criminal justice policies were developed in relation to these theories.
3. Explain social science research methods and basic statistical applications. They will be able to apply social science research methods and statistics to criminal justice and criminology problems, including the ethical treatment of research subjects.
4. Analyze and synthesize empirical research, and construct analytically synthesized written academic papers and responses.
5. Develop and implement a strong research project in a substantive area of interest within criminal justice and criminology, tying together the components of theory, methods, and policy.