Dream big and envision yourself in a career that empowers you to positively impact your community. UCF’s master’s in social work program online allows you to work with diverse populations in a variety of fields such as mental health, addiction, homelessness, human rights and social welfare. With an online MSW degree from UCF, you can effect lasting change and protect the rights and interests of the most vulnerable segments of society.
Why social work?

The online MSW program at UCF helps clinical social work students become skilled practitioners who will work to promote social and economic justice, overall societal well-being and human rights.

The online MSW program—fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)—offers classes in seven-week terms with students enrolled in one class per term. Students who have already earned a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree from a CSWE-accredited program can enroll in the four-semester MSW Advanced Standing option, which also features seven-week terms with one course per term. Because these tracks can only be completed online, UCF charges an enhanced tuition rate. As such, online MSW students are not allowed to enroll in any other UCF certificate or graduate programs.
Who should choose the program?

UCF’s part-time, nine-semester online MSW degree is designed for individuals who do not have a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) or who earned their BSW more than six years ago.

Online MSW curriculum (62 hours)

CORE COURSES: 21 CREDIT HOURS
SOW 5107: Human Behavior in the Social Environment
SOW 5132: Diverse Client Populations
SOW 5217: Foundations of Behavioral Health Policy and Social Work Practice
SOW 5404: Social Work Research
SOW 5305: Social Work Practice I: Generalist Practice
SOW 5306: Social Work Practice II: Intervention Approaches
SOW 5235: Social Welfare Policies and Services

CLINICAL SPECIALIZATION: 18 CREDIT HOURS
SOW 6123: Psychosocial Pathology
SOW 6433: Clinical Evaluation in Social Work Practice
SOW 6324: Clinical Practice with Groups
SOW 6348: Clinical Practice with Individuals
SOW 6612: Clinical Practice with Families
SOW 6424: Theories for Evidence-Based Clinical Practice in Social Work

ELECTIVES: 9 CREDIT HOURS

FIELD EXPERIENCE: 14 CREDIT HOURS
Generalist Field Education and Seminar
Clinical Field Education and Seminar
Online MSW advanced standing option curriculum (32 hours)

In order to be considered for advanced standing admission, applicants must have a baccalaureate degree in social work from a CSWE-accredited program within the last six years with a 3.3 GPA in their last 60 credit hours. They must also demonstrate the academic potential and professional maturity to meet the demands of the program. Applicants who received at least a B- on their previous baccalaureate course work will be reviewed to ensure content equivalency.

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**ELECTIVES: 6 CREDIT HOURS**

**FIELD EXPERIENCE: 8 CREDIT HOURS**
Clinical Field Education and Seminar
Career opportunities

The demand for highly trained professional social workers has grown in recent years, and career opportunities abound for graduates with master’s degrees in social work. Employment for social workers in the U.S. is expected to grow by 12 percent from 2014 to 2024. Across the nation, an increase in demand for social and health care services will drive growth in the social work field. Regional employer demand for social work professionals has increased 23 percent since 2013, and current postings for jobs with “social worker,” “clinical social worker” and “medical social worker” titles represent 10 percent of all relevant job postings nationwide. However, graduates can seek employment with a number of different organizations or industries, including public school districts, substance abuse treatment programs, nursing homes, long-term care facilities, home care agencies and hospices. Some UCF MSW graduates go on to work for government agencies, legislative offices and research institutions.
Admissions requirements

ONLINE MSW
• Regionally accredited bachelor’s degree
• 3.0 GPA
• Resume
• 3 letters of recommendation
• Writing sample
• Professional Statement
• No GRE required

ONLINE MSW – ADVANCED STANDING
• BSW from CSWE-accredited school/program
• 3.3 GPA in last 60 credit hours
• Resume
• 3 letters of recommendation
• Writing sample
• Professional Statement
• No GRE required

Get started – apply today!

Ready to take the next step? Applicants can apply to the online MSW program by visiting the UCF online graduate application.

Application Deadlines
• Fall 2020: June 1, 2020
• Spring 2020: November 1, 2019
• Summer 2020: March 1, 2020
• Fall 2020 (Advanced Standing Only): June 1, 2020
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