Graduate Certificate Programs

Trauma Treatment	Forensic Social Work	Gerontology	Veterinary Social Work	School Social Work Licensure
Credit Hours – 21	Credit Hours -18	Credit Hours -15	Credit Hours - 24	Credit Hours - 9
Courses (9 credit hours)	Courses (12 credit hours)	Courses (9) credit hours)	Courses (12 credit hours)	Courses (3 credit hours)
Required: SOWK 531 (3) Two of the following: SOWK 529 (3) SOWK 533 (3) SOWK 534 (3) SOWK 535 (3) SOWK 564 (3) SOWK 540 (specific sections that have been approved)	 Generalist Year: LAW 503 Structure and Operation of the American Legal System (3) LAW 504 Introduction to Legal Reasoning and Communication (3) Concentration Year: SOWK 573 (3) OR SOWK 574 (3)	Required: SOWK 555 (3) SOWK 566 (3) SOWK 572 (3) Other MSSW or graduate elective as approved by the Gerontology Certificate Chair (3)	 SOWK 557 (3) SOWK 567 (3) Clinical students - 3 credit hours with assignment in the course on a veterinary social work topic. Select from SOWK 560, SOWK 562, SOWK 563 or SOWK 570. Organizational Leadership students - 3 credit hours with assignment in the course on a veterinary social work topic. Select from SOWK 545, SOWK 547, SOWK 548 or SOWK 549. 	SOWK 535 - School Social Work (3)
Field Component - 12 credit hours in a concentration MSSW field placement where student learning plans will include assignments related to trauma.	Field Component – at least 6 credit hours in a generalist or concentration MSSW field placement where student learning plans will include assignments related to Forensic SW.	Field Component – at least 6 credit hours in a generalist or concentration MSSW field placement where student learning plans will include assignments related to gerontology. Non-MSSW students: 6 credit hours of SOWK 593 – Independent Study, focused on working with or on behalf of older adults.	Field Component – 12 credit hours in a concentration MSSW field placement where student learning plan swill include assignments related to Veterinary Social Work.	Field Component - at least 6 credit hours (400 clock hours) in a K-12 School Social Work Field Placement (MSSW generalist/concentration, or BSSW)
 Application Deadline within two weeks after admission to the MSSW program. 	Application Deadline within two weeks after admission to the MSSW program.	Application Deadline within two weeks after admission to the MSSW program.	Application Deadline within two weeks after admission to the MSSW program.	 Application Deadline Students will apply for the license after graduation.
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