


**BE HERE.
BE YOU.
BELONG.**

—Brené Brown



THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE
COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

**MASTER OF SCIENCE
IN SOCIAL WORK
(MSSW KNOXVILLE PROGRAM)**



“My plans for the future are focused on serving children and adolescents in the mental health domain. I look forward to a day I can pay it forward to help another Volunteer achieve a dream of their own.”

*Kathryn Becker,
MSSW Knoxville
Student*

THE PROGRAM

THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SOCIAL WORK (MSSW) PROGRAM is offered at the **Knoxville** and **Nashville** campuses, as well as **online**.

The program's mission is to educate students for culturally relevant and ethically sound social work practice within a changing global context affecting social work practice.

In accordance with professional social work's ethical code and values, importance is placed on client empowerment, individual and political advocacy for greater social and economic justice, and challenging the oppression of diverse and vulnerable populations.



OVER
95%

OF MSSW GRADUATES
ARE EMPLOYED WITHIN
SIX MONTHS
OF
GRADUATION



WHY CHOOSE SOCIAL WORK?

►► **Social workers change the world** and if you are looking for a career with diversity and meaning, we would encourage you to consider social work. The fundamental mission of the social work profession is to serve people needing assistance and to work to make social institutions more responsive to human needs. Social work is distinguished from other helping professions by its **person-in-environment focus** and its **strong commitment to social and economic justice**.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY SOCIAL WORK DEGREE?

Social workers are employed in a wide variety of fields. Depending on the route you choose, employment is available with schools, hospitals, outpatient clinics, mental health facilities, colleges & universities, non-profit agencies, the legal profession, government agencies, corporate HR & finance, and athletics, just to name a few.

THE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK OFFERS SPECIALIZED CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS TO STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE MSSW PROGRAM.

Advanced elective courses and field settings combine to provide current students with extensive knowledge and experience within the following areas: Forensic Social Work, Gerontology, School Social Work Licensure, Trauma, and Veterinary Social Work. **Additionally, two dual degrees are offered** in partnership with the University of Tennessee College of Law; an MSSW/JD and an MSSW/MLS.



THE FIELD PRACTICUM IS THE CRITICAL AND REQUIRED INTERNSHIP PORTION OF THE MSSW PROGRAM COMPONENT OF EACH STUDENT'S EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

Students work with experienced social work professionals in a variety of settings to complement classroom theory and research. Settings include schools, courts, hospitals, nursing homes, state agencies, homeless shelters, women's shelters, mental health centers, and many others.

UTCSW
STUDENTS
PROVIDE OVER
230,000
FIELD PLACEMENT
HOURS
ANNUALLY



CHOOSE YOUR PATH



THE MSSW PROGRAM

combines state-of-the-art coursework with in-depth internship experiences. It's important to note that whether you take classes on campus or online, the MSSW program is taught by the same professors, is held to the same high standards, and is **fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).**

FULL-TIME PROGRAM

ADVANCED STANDING PROGRAM

EXTENDED STUDY PROGRAM

HYBRID EVENING CLASSES (Nashville Only)

CONCENTRATIONS

Clinical Practice

The Clinical Practice (CP) concentration provides students skills in interpersonal evidence-based treatments and interventions for use in individual and group settings.

Organizational Leadership

The Organizational Leadership (OL) concentration equips students with management, social-economic development, and policy practice skills that enable them to lead non-profit and governmental agencies and engage with communities to build strong organizations that address pressing needs.





WHY UTK?



#1 MSSW
PROGRAM IN
TENNESSEE



FLEXIBLE
OPTIONS TO
FIT YOUR
SCHEDULE



LEARN FROM
NATIONALLY
RENOWNED,
CUTTING-EDGE
RESEARCH
FACULTY



FINANCIAL
AID &
SCHOLARSHIPS
AVAILABLE



NETWORK OF
OVER 6000 CSW
ALUMNI LIVING IN
TENNESSEE



COLLABORATION
WITH TWO
RESEARCH
CENTERS

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