

USC SCHOOL	Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work
ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT	Social Work
GRADUATE PROGRAM	Master of Social Work
POST CODE	
TERM EFFECTIVE DATE	Spring 2021

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

A brief description of the graduate program.

Designed specifically for University of Southern California undergraduate students, this program allows a student to earn both their undergraduate and a Master of Social Work (MSW) degrees in as few as five years. Eligible applicants should have completed between 64 and 96 total units of undergraduate coursework (excluding AP, IB, or transfer units earned prior to graduation from high school), with an overall 3.3 university grade point average or higher. Applicants are admitted to our campus-based MSW program for the fall term. After successful submission of an Application for Admission to a Progressive Master's Program, each applicant will be required to submit a statement of purpose. The highest-ranking applicants will be invited to interview with the MSW Chair and Field Education Director.

Undergraduate students who have completed, or are in the process of completing, the Suzanne Dworak-Peck's Juvenile Justice minor are highly encouraged to apply. Applicants who have completed the Juvenile Justice minor will only need to complete the remaining 48 units out of the 60 normally required for the MSW program. We also welcome applications from all other undergraduate students, who will complete 51 or 54 of the 60 units required for the MSW.

COMMON BACHELOR DEGREE PROGRAM PATHWAYS

A list of common bachelor's degrees that undergraduate students pursue in advance of pursuing a progressive degree option with this graduate program. Some programs are restricted to certain majors while others are open to all students.

Social Work Juvenile Justice Minor	
Dornsife Majors	
Open to other majors with specific modifications	

PREPARATORY UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

A list of courses at the undergraduate level that prepare students for the graduate program. Required coursework is listed first, followed by recommended courses. If not applicable, this section will be blank.

Dept. Prefix - Course #	Course Title	Required or Recommended	Units
	NONE		

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES USED TO REDUCE GRADUATE LEVEL UNITS

A list of undergraduate level courses that may be used to reduce the number of graduate level units required for the graduate program. If there are none, that is specified instead.

Dept. Prefix - Course #	Course Title	Units
SOWK-350	Adolescent Gang Intervention	4
SOWK-200xm	Institutional Inequality in American Political and Social Policy	4
SOWK-424	Community Experience in Juvenile Justice Environments	4
SOWK-324	Juvenile Justice in America	4

CORE GRADUATE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (# units required)

A list of all required graduate courses for the graduate program. None of these courses may be used toward satisfying undergraduate degree requirements.

If special exceptions for any of these courses are made by the academic department, the course # is marked with an asterisk () and the exception is explained in the "Department Notes" section at the end of this course plan template.*

Dept. Prefix - Course #	Course Title	Units
SOWK-506	Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3
SOWK-536	Policy and Advocacy in Professional Social Work	3
SOWK-544	Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups	3
SOWK-546	Science of Social Work	3
SOWK-635*	Research and Evaluation for Social Work with Adults and Older Adults	3
SOWK-637*	Assessing Wellness to Improve Recovery in Integrated Care	3
SOWK-638*	Policy in Integrated Care	3
SOWK-643*	Social Work Practice in Integrated Care Settings	3
SOWK-644*	Explanatory Theories of Health and Mental Health	3
SOWK-647*	Advanced Practice with Complex Social Work Cases	3
SOWK-608*	Research and Critical Analysis for Social Work with Children and Families	3
SOWK-609*	Introduction to Social Work Practice with Children, Youth and Families	3
SOWK-610*	Social Work Practice with Children and Families Across Settings	3
SOWK-613*	Social Work Practice with Children and Families in Early and Middle Childhood	3
SOWK-621*	Social Work Practice with Adolescents, Young Adults and their Families	3
SOWK-627*	Policy and Macro Practice in Child, Youth and Family Services	3
SOWK-629*	Research and Evaluation for Community, Organization and Business Environments	3
SOWK-648*	Management and Organizational Development for Social Workers	3
SOWK-672*	Social Work and Business Settings	3
SOWK-639*	Policy Advocacy and Social Change	3
SOWK-665*	Grant Writing and Program Development for Social Workers	3
SOWK-684*	Community Practice for Social Innovation	3

SOWK-630	Diversity, Social Justice, and Culturally Competent Social Work Practice	3
SOWK-588	Integrative Learning for Social Work Practice	2
SOWK-589A	Applied Learning in Field Education	3
SOWK-589B	Applied Learning in Field Education	3
SOWK-698A	Integrative Learning for Advanced Social Work Practice	1
SOWK-699A	Advanced Applied Learning in Field Education	4
SOWK-698B	Integrative Learning for Advanced Social Work Practice	1
SOWK-699B	Advanced Applied Learning in Field Education	4
SOWK-6XX*	Elective	3
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SOWK-6XX*	Elective or Track Course	3

PRE-APPROVED ELECTIVE COURSEWORK

Elective coursework is approved at the discretion of the academic department. Note the following details about the total number and units required of elective coursework.

3

TOTAL ELECTIVE COURSES REQUIRED FOR THE TRADITIONAL GRADUATE DEGREE

9

TOTAL ELECTIVE UNITS REQUIRED FOR THE TRADITIONAL GRADUATE DEGREE

TOTAL UNIT COUNTS AND REQUIRED GRADUATE UNITS

60

TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED FOR THE TRADITIONAL GRADUATE DEGREE

9

TOTAL GRADUATE UNITS THAT MAY BE WAIVED (IF ANY)

48

MINIMUM NUMBER OF GRADUATE UNITS THAT MUST BE AT THE 500 LEVEL OR ABOVE

NOTES FROM THE DEPARTMENT

This section highlights any unique considerations, exceptions, or requirements for the graduate program. If a program has specific restrictions (courses, majors, etc.), they are detailed below.

Admitted students must select from the three departments below and follow the course requirements for the selected department:

*Adult Mental Health and Wellness (AMHW)

*Children, Youth and Families (CYF)

*Social Change and Innovation (SCI)

SOWK-635, SOWK-637, SOWK-638, SOWK-643, SOWK-644 and SOWK-647 only for AMHW department students only.

SOWK-608, SOWK-609, SOWK-610, SOWK-613, SOWK-621 and SOWK-627 only for CYF department students only.

SOWK-629, SOWK-648, SOWK-672, SOWK-639, SOWK-665 and SOWK-684 only for SCI department students only.

Social Work Juvenile Justice minor students will not be required to complete the graduate-level elective requirement.

Students who completed their undergrad major in Dornsife will not be required to complete the three graduate-level elective requirement.

Students who completed other undergraduate majors will only be required to complete one graduate-level elective.

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04/01/2021

Name of Authorizing Master's Program Dean

Date Approved

Dean of Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work

Authorizing Dean's Title