

Pre-Social Work

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Overview

The Graduate School of Social Work was formally established in 1934 to meet the needs of the Buffalo and Western New York community. Since that time, the school has continuously maintained its full accreditation status with the [Council on Social Work Education](#) (CSWE) and was recently re-accredited through 2011. Nearly 500 students are currently pursuing the MSW (alone or in combination with another degree) at one of three locations within New York: Buffalo, Rochester, and Jamestown. For most social work programs, a bachelor's degree in any subject is acceptable, as long as other admissions requirements have been met.

About our Degrees

The MSW program, alone or in interdisciplinary combinations, trains students to become advanced social work practitioners.

Acceptance Information

Although no particular major is required to apply to the School of Social Work, we do recommend completion of certain courses. Please see the Advising Information section below for additional information.

In addition to academic credentials, the UB School of Social Work looks for personal attributes that are considered essential to the professional practice of social work: Initiative; integrity; reliability; emotional stability; sound judgment; capacity for change, growth, and self-discipline; and concern for the needs of others.

Applicants to interdisciplinary dual degree programs with the School of Law, School of Management, or School of Public Health and Health Sciences must meet the admissions requirements of the collaborating program, including standardized tests. The BA/MSW program is open only to interdisciplinary social science majors in the Health and Human Services concentration.

Extracurricular Activities

See the [UB Student Association](#).

Degrees Offered

Combined: BA/MSW

Graduate: JD/MSW, MBA/MSW, MPH/MSW, MSW, PhD in Social Welfare (MSW required)

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