

If you are employed do you plan to remain employed while attending school?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please provide approximately how many hours a week you will be working:

If you are employed while attending school, what arrangements are you going to make to ensure that you can complete a field placement requiring at least two (2) days per week over two (2) semesters?

Do you plan to attend graduate school in the future? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, in which field? Social Work _____ Other (specify) _____

What are your career interests in Social Work?

Have you ever been enrolled in a Social Work program at another college or university? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, name school: _____

Explain why you did not complete the program:

If you have attended another Social Work program, a letter of recommendation from a faculty member in that program is required prior to admission.

Have you ever received any academic honors? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please describe:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain (this information is necessary for licensing and placement purposes):

Do you have any legal action(s) pending against you? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, please explain:

Indicate the grade you earned in each of the following courses, along with the dates of completion:

Course Name	Course Number	Grade	Date of Completion
Anthropology	1200		
Economics	2110		
English	1102		
Political Science	1100		
Psychology	1101		
Social Work	2910		
Sociology	1111		

Are you currently enrolled in Social Work 2910? Yes ____ No ____

Attach an essay to this application form, approximately three (3) pages long, typed and double spaced, providing the following information (this essay will be assessed for both content and writing skills):

1. Your work and volunteer experience.
2. The important facets of your identity and the people and experiences that have made important contributions to that identity.
3. The personal strengths, which you think will help you become an effective social worker.
4. The limitations which will challenge you as you seek to become an effective social work.
5. The values that are important to you and how they fit with the values of the social work profession.
6. Your short-term (5-year) and your long term (more than 6 years) professional career goals.

CRITICAL THINKING

Attach a second essay to this application, two to three (2-3) pages, typed and double-spaced, that demonstrates critical thinking and analysis about the following:

Compare and contrast client populations (e.g., the elderly, physically disabled, low-income, etc.) with whom you would enjoy working and the client populations that would pose problems for you. What are the key positives and negatives about each client group? How are they similar? How are they different? Which issues will you need to address about either group? How will you address them?

APPLICANT CONFIRMATION

I confirm that I have read and that I understand the Social Work Student Handbook and that I will abide by the Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW).

Signature of Applicant

Date

Please Print Name: _____

Please return this application and the two essays to the Division of Social Work Office:

School of Urban Affairs & Public Policy
Division of Social Work
119 McCord Hall
Attention: Dr. Jerome L. Blakemore, Director
Memphis, TN 38152

If you have any questions about the application process, please call (901) 678-2616.

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