THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES

EXCEPTIONAL SOCIAL WORK
Mission Statement & Goals
The University of North Dakota's Master of Social Work Program provides broad access to quality graduate education that prepares versatile advanced generalist practitioners with the necessary knowledge, values, and skills to enhance human well-being and to serve as leaders in their communities in North Dakota, the region, and beyond.

To prepare advanced generalist social work practitioners who:
- Have a strong identification with the social work profession, be committed to its highest ethical ideals, and embrace the role of change agent.
- Continually strive to increase their cultural competence and understand and respect human diversity.
- Understand the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination and advocate for social and economic justice.
- Synthesize and effectively apply a broad range of knowledge and skills across practice levels that prepares them to assume leadership roles and work in a multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary professional capacity.
- Have a passion for critical inquiry and a commitment to lifelong learning.

About the Program
The Master of Social Work program at the University of North Dakota is accredited by The Council on Social Work Education. The MSW program offers advanced generalist curriculum that prepares students to practice competently in a variety of settings and across practice levels. Upon completion of this program, the student will have earned the MSW degree.

Enrich the Student Learning Experience
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor’s degree in Social Work from a CSWE accredited program.
- An undergraduate GPA of 3.00 overall or a GPA of 3.00 in the last 2 years of the undergraduate program.
- A grade of C or higher in a statistics course.
- Willingness to abide by the National Association of Social Worker’s Code of Ethics and the University of North Dakota Code of Student Life.

ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Deadline: January 15.

It is recommended that applicants begin the process of application at least six weeks prior to the application deadline to ensure the application is completed on time. A completed application consists of the following:

- Graduate School Application
- Three references
- 3-5 page personal statement (the essay described in the Graduate School application) covering: motivation for being a social worker, values and beliefs regarding social work, experience with diversity, qualities the applicant brings to the profession, personal qualities in leadership and creativity, and professional goals.
- Resume
- Official transcript (undergraduate and graduate course work)
- Background check

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions about our Campus MSW Program, please contact Carenlee Barkdull, Director of the MSW Program at carenlee.barkdull@und.edu or call (701) 777-3770.