SOCIAL WORK, PHD

for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work

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socialwork.illinois.edu/about/ssw/faculty-and-staff-directory/?
overview of grad college admissions & requirements: https://
grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply (https://grad.illinois.edu/
Admission
Graduate Degree Programs in Social Work
Social Work, MSW (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/socw/
social-work-msw/) (on campus, online & blended (online/face-
to-face)
  concentration required: Advanced Clinical Practice (http://catalog.illinois.edu/
  graduate/socw/social-work-msw/advanced-clinical/)
  Leadership & Social Change (http://catalog.illinois.edu/
  graduate/socw/social-work-msw/leadership-social-
change/)
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Admission
MSW program applicants must meet the following minimum
requirements:
1. a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university in
   the United States or from a recognized institution of higher learning
   abroad;
2. a grade point average of 3.0 (A = 4.0) or greater for the last 60
   semester hours of undergraduate work;
3. 20 hours of completed coursework in a liberal arts core consisting
   of social and behavioral sciences, the humanities, and biological
   sciences
4. evidence of personal attributes that are suitable for the profession of
   social work;
5. a score of 103 or above on the TOEFL test;
6. provision of a written supplementary statement.

Advanced Standing MSW applicants who meet all above requirements
who have earned a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree from a CSWE-
accredited program in the past seven years are considered for admission
into the Advanced Standing MSW program. This is a three semester/44
hour program that may be completed in 12 months by most students.
Students with a concentration in school social work participate in
a one semester internship during their second Fall semester for a 3
semester/44 hour program completed in 16 months.

Ph.D. program applicants must meet the following minimum
requirements:
1. a master degree in social work or in related disciplines;
2. a GRE score within the last 5 years;
3. demonstrating a potential for research and other scholarly work;
4. aptitude for leadership in the field of social work

Other Requirements

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Other requirements may overlap

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For additional details and requirements refer to the
department's Graduate Handbook (http://socialwork.illinois.edu/
academics/doctoral-program-ph-d/degree-and-course-
requirements/) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://
www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/).