FALL 2026 ADMISSIONS



SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

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Prospective Student Information
Masters of Social Work Program

WELCOME TO OUR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Thank you for your interest in the School of Social Work (SSW) at San Diego State University. The profession of Social Work is deeply committed both to the relief of human distress and inequality and to meeting the social, psychological, and economic needs of human beings. The underpinning value of the profession is a commitment to social justice. While this concern for others is a vital ingredient of Social Work, it must be implemented with the knowledge and skills of the profession.

To accomplish these goals, the School of Social Work offers a 1-year Advanced Standing Program, and a 2, 3 and 4-year graduate curriculum in direct practice or administration/community development.

Throughout this prospective student handbook, you will learn about the SDSU SSW MSW Program. Please note, the San Diego Campus accepts new applicants annually and the Imperial Valley Campus accepts applications every three years. This year we are accepting applications for both campuses to start in Fall 2026.

MSW Program Mission Statement

The mission of the MSW program is to prepare versatile leaders for professional, ethical, and advanced specialist social work practice. The program focuses on evidence-informed practices, advancing equity and social justice, promoting human rights, and engaging in social action to enhance individual and community well-being. The program prepares graduates to meet the evolving needs of the diverse US-Mexico border-connected region, Tribal and Indigenous communities, and beyond.

The School of Social Work was founded in 1963 and has been proudly accredited by the Council of Social Work Education since 1966.

SDSU School of Social Work offers:

- Education and research programs guided by a team of administrators and faculty members who are noted experts in their area of research.
- A commitment to international and multicultural education, internships available in Tijuana, as well as cross border conferences, and support for student organizations, DEI integrated coursework and specialized electives.
- Opportunities for up to 40 paid stipends through the California IV-E Education Program for $50,000 over 2 years for full-time MSW students. The Cal IV-E Education program assists MSW students who are committed to working in the field of child welfare and foster care services.
- The SSW contracts with over 400 community agencies to provide opportunities for direct practice and administrative field experience in medical and hospice settings, residential and outpatient mental health facilities, County of San Diego child protection, foster care service agencies and school settings including elementary, middle, and secondary throughout San County.
- Competitive tuition and application fees.

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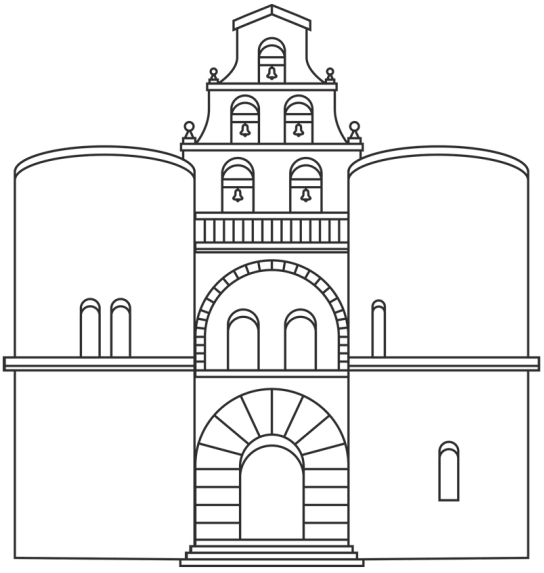



WHY CHOOSE SAN DIEGO?

Since its founding in 1897, the university has grown to become a leading public research university. SDSU has officially been classified as an R1 research institution, the highest distinction given to doctoral universities in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. It is also a federally-designated Hispanic-serving Institution as well as an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI). SDSU provides more than 39,000 students with the opportunity to participate in an academic curriculum distinguished by direct contact with faculty and an international emphasis that prepares them for a global future.

A National Reputation for Academic Excellence

SDSU, designated a "Doctoral/Research University- Intensive" by the Carnegie Foundation, is ranked among the top 7.2 percent of higher education institutions in the United States. As you pursue your master's degree in one of 81 areas or your joint doctoral degree in one of 19 areas, you will learn from distinguished faculty, engaged in teaching and research.

Research Opportunities

SDSU is a hub of student invention and innovation, led by the Lavin Entrepreneurship Center and the Zahn Innovation Center. FORBES magazine ranked SDSU No. 18 on its list of America's Most Entrepreneurial Universities. SDSU has officially been classified as an R1 research institution, the highest distinction given to doctoral universities in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

San Diego Community: An International Hub

Known for its near-perfect climate, 70 miles of beaches, over 100 golf courses, the world famous San Diego Zoo and Sea World, and breathtaking deserts to explore, San Diego is also recognized globally as a growing academic and research Mecca. San Diego's geographic location and diverse population help make the area a dynamic international hub.

FALL ADMISSION PROCESS

All graduate programs with the School of Social Work require submission of two separate online applications

STEP 1: Apply to SDSU Graduate Admissions (Cal State Apply) no later than 12/1/25.
Complete the Cal State Apply application found at: https://www.calstate.edu/apply/graduate

STEP 2: SDSU School of Social Work Supplemental Application (Slate) no later than 12/15/25.
You will receive the email to access Slate 72-hours after you complete your Cal State Apply application.

STEP 3: Submit Official Transcripts and Test Scores (if applicable) to SDSU Graduate Admissions Office
Please note, the GRE is NOT required to apply for the MSW and MSW/MPH programs. The TOEFL (if applicable) examination results need to be submitted to SDSU Graduate Admissions prior to 12/15/25.

For questions email mswadmissions@sdsu.edu.

Cal State Apply Applications available: October 1st - December 1st

After your Cal State Apply application is submitted, you must create your my.SDSU.edu account and check regularly for updates to complete any tasks on your to-do list.

For more information regarding the SDSU application please view this link:
https://admissions.sdsu.edu/graduate/steps-apply.

Graduate Admissions
San Diego State University
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San Diego, CA 92182-7416

Electronic transcripts may be emailed to transcriptsforsdsu@sdsu.edu

For questions regarding transcripts email admissions@sdsu.edu.

It is critical that you submit your Cal State Apply application PRIOR to: 1.) completing your supplemental application and 2.) sending your transcripts or test scores to the SDSU Graduate Admissions Office.

ADMISSION PROCESS







Criteria for Admission to MSW Programs:

- Hold a Bachelor's degree with a liberal arts foundation from an accredited college or university. *Advanced Standing Applicants require a Social Work Bachelors earned within five years of admission.*
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0
- Complete SDSU School of Social Work Application (Supplemental) which includes: Liberal Arts Perspective Form; Personal Statement; 3 Letters of Recommendation (Advanced Standing Program applicants need a letter from their field instructor and a social work faculty member) Application Information Certification, Resume, and Experience Hours form.
- Have a minimum of 1000 hours of any paid or unpaid (volunteering or internship) work with a diverse, vulnerable population.
- Complete an undergraduate statistics course. Note: Completion of a statistics course is required with a grade of a C or better.
- All MSW students will be required to pass a background check for program participation.

Transfer Applicants

Transfer applicants must also provide:

- An official transcript documenting your MSW coursework
- Internship/ Field evaluation
- Letter of good standing from previous MSW program attended prior to December 1st

Transfer applicants are reviewed in the same competitive process as all applicants. We do accept up to 18 transfer units from CSWE-accredited MSW programs as long as the courses align with our curriculum. We do not assess if coursework is transferable until after an applicant is accepted into our MSW program; at that time, you would then need to provide the syllabus of the courses you believe to be the same as ours for review. We cannot guarantee that all units will transfer.

International Students

All international students must be enrolled in a full course load every semester (9 units) to maintain their F-1 status. For more information about applying to graduate school, please contact the SDSU International Student Center https://www.sdsu.edu/international-student-center

AREA OF SPECIALIZED PRACTICE

The SDSU MSW Program offers two areas of specialized practice: Direct Practice/Clinical and Administration and Community Development. These courses follow completion of the Generalist Practice courses. Nestled within the Direct Practice/Clinical and Administration and Community Development specializations are practice fields: Children, Youth and Families, Mental Health, and Health and Aging. For students to complete the year of specialized training, they must pass either a Comprehensive Exam in their area of specialization or successfully complete a publishable paper or master's thesis. Please note, very few students choose the thesis option.

Both areas of specialized practice extend and enhance the nine social work competencies and corresponding behaviors for each area of specialized practice.

Direct Practice/Clinical

Prepare students with advanced clinical skills and knowledge that promote clients' well-being, particularly in practice with indivdiuals, families and groups.

Administration & Community Development

Prepares students with advanced practice skills with organiations and communities and knowledge that promotes clients' wellbeing, particularly at the practice with organizations and communities.
Please view this by Dr. Lianne Urada, the Macro Chair, to learn more about this specialization.

CURRICULUM MAP



MSW Curriculum Link

MSW 2 year program (60 units)

- Year 1
  - Fall 15 units & 16 hours per week internship
  - Spring 16 units & 16 hours per week internship
- Year 2
  - Fall 16 units & 20 hours per week internship
  - Spring 13 units & hours per week internship

MSW 3 year program (60 units)

- Year 1
  - 6 units Fall and Spring semester
- Year 2
  - 9 units & 16 hours per week internship Fall and Spring semester
- Year 3
  - Fall - 16 units and 20 hours per week internship
  - Spring - 13 units and 20 hours per week internship

MSW 4 year program (60 units)

- Year 1
  - 6 units Fall and Spring semester
- Year 2
  - 9 units & 16 hours per week internship Fall and Spring semester
- Year 3
  - 6 units Fall and Spring semester
- Year 4
  - Fall Semester - 10 units & 20 hours per week internship
  - Spring 7 units with 20 hours per week internship

ADVANCED STANDING PROGRAM







The Advanced Standing Program (ASP) will admit approximately 15 students each year. For more information, please review this link to the ASP webpage: https://socialwork.sdsu.edu/academics/graduate/advanced-standing-program.

All applicants must follow the same application process stated on page 5 with the following stipulations:

Applicants must possess an undergraduate degree in social work that was earned within 5 years of admission to the Advanced Standing program.

Please note, the social work undergraduate degree must come from a program that is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. The cumulative GPA for social work courses taken must be at least a 3.0 or better.

Our last cohort of students admitted to the SDSU MSW ASP program has an average GPA of 3.6.

Letters of Recommendation must include:

1. One letter from a Field Instructor and
2. One letter from a Social Work faculty member
3. A person of your choice, preferably someone with social work experience.

Advanced Standing students will begin their program of study in the summer immediately following acceptance.

Students admitted to the Advanced Standing Program will attend an orientation in April prior to beginning the program.

Students not admitted to the Advanced Standing Program may be considered for admission to the standard 60 unit program.

TUITION & FEES

The CSU makes every effort to keep student costs to a minimum. Fees listed in published schedules or student accounts may need to be increased when public funding is inadequate. Therefore, CSU must reserve the right, even after initial fee payments are made, to increase or modify any listed fees, without notice, until the date when instruction for a particular semester or quarter has begun. All CSU listed fees should be regarded as estimates that are subject to change upon approval by the Board of Trustees.

You must pay Tuition and Fees before you can access the Web registration system. "My Registration," available at my.SDSU, contains registration and payment information. The registration process is not complete until you are officially enrolled in classes. Payment of fees alone does not constitute registration. All Cashier Holds must be cleared prior to paying for registration. Payments to clear financial holds must be made by cash, debit cards, money order, or certified check. Inquire at Student Account Services for more information. Personal checks or credit cards will NOT be accepted.

Liability for Payment

It is the student's responsibility to be aware of total fees due whether or not an invoice is received. Students with an approved Petition for Late Schedule Adjustment must pay in addition to the $20.00 late add fee any fees that may be due as a result of the added units. For example, a student enrolled in 6 units has an approved petition to add 3 additional units. In addition to the $20.00 late fee, the fees for the difference between part-time and full-time fees are due BEFORE the Office of the Registrar will process the add.

Please note: Dropping a class after the schedule adjustment deadline (based on approved petition only) does not reduce your fee liability. If you are enrolled in 6 units and add 3 units and drop 3 units, you will still be liable for full-time Tuition and Fees. Students submitting authorization to bill a third party for their Tuition and Fees will be held responsible for payment if the third party agency fails to pay.

ID Card Fee and Information

All MSW students are required to purchase an SDSU photo identification card, which permits use of campus services, such as student activities, athletic events, library privileges, etc. For additional information, contact the SDSU Card Office at (619) 594-6800.



TUITION

2025-26 Standard Costs for California Residents

Note: Amounts in the table reflect full-time enrollment for the 9-month academic year. Less than full-time enrollment may change amounts listed below. All costs are subject to change without notice.

	Living with parents	Living in university housing	Living off campus
Basic tuition and fees*	$10,794	$10,794	$10,794
Books, supplies	$970	$970	$970
Food, housing	$9,352	$23,736**	$18,406
Transportation	$2,470	$1,170	$2,466
Miscellaneous, personal	$2,612	$2,268	$2,980
Total academic year	**$26,198**	**$38,938**	**$35,616**

For more information please go to https://bfa.sdsu.edu/financial/student/newstudents

*Nonresident tuition: Add $444 per unit to the basic tuition and fees listed above.

** The on campus food and housing figure is the cost of a double room and a Meals Plus meal plan. Exact costs will vary based on your room type and meal plan selection. For example, the cost of a triple room and Flex 5 meal plan is $20,365 for freshmen. The cost of a triple room and Flex 5 meal plan is $15,246 for upper division apartments. For more information see SDSU's Housing Rates.

Plan for additional expenses that will increase your cost of attendance. All MSW and MSW/MPH Students are required to hold health insurance (mandatory for ALL students) and is approximately $1,703 per year.

Imperial Valley Campus: subtract $1,230 from basic tuition and fees listed above.

All applicants accepted for admission are required to pay a non refundable registration fee of $400.00 due by mid April.

View the estimated costs of Education:
Graduate Cost of Attendance Tables

FINANCIAL AID & STIPENDS

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa
- Visit the SDSU Office of Financial Aid and Scholarship website and search for scholarships: https://sacd.sdsu.edu/financial-aid/scholarships/sdsu-aztec-scholarships
- *Note: Student background information may be required; therefore, some scholarships may ask for parental income. FAFSA is needed for most scholarships. It is recommended that all students fill out the FAFSA.*
- Visit the School of Social Work website for scholarships and stipends: https://socialwork.sdsu.edu/resources/financial-aid

Current School of Social Work Stipends:

- California Title IV-E Education Program (Open to incoming students. Must complete the Title IV-E application at the time the MSW application is submitted.) See page 13 for more details.
- Public Behavioral Health MSW Training Stipend
  - MSW students are accepted into the PBH MSW Training Program for one academic year at a time. Acceptance into the training program for one year of foundation training does NOT guarantee acceptance for a second year of specialized training
  - MSW students may participate in the training program for a maximum of two academic years
  - https://socialwork.sdsu.edu/pbh
- The CalSWEC Adult Protective Services MSW Training Program
  - https://socialwork.sdsu.edu/aps
- Rural Assistance Center
  - https://www.raconline.org/funding
- Allied Healthcare Scholarship
  - https://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HPEF/Programs/AHSP.html
- Golden State Teacher Grant Program
  - https://www.csac.ca.gov/golden-state-teacher-grant-gstg-program



CALIFORNIA IV-E EDUCATION PROGRAM

The California IV-E Education Program provides up to $50,000 as a taxable stipend to MSW students for educational support toward the Master of Social Work degree. The Cal IV-E program at SDSU is particularly interested in attracting students with a strong social justice value orientation and commitment to address the larger economic, social and political issues impacting children and families in child welfare services.

Motivation to develop strong direct practice knowledge and skills working with families and increasing organizational and community strengths are highly desired :

Full-time MSW students receive $25,000 per year of their MSW program not exceeding $50,000 (2 years max).

Part-time MSW students who are concurrent employees of a county or the state Department of Social Services receive reimbursement for tuition, fees, books, and allowable travel reimbursement for the entire duration of their four-year MSW program, The Cal IV-E office pays part-time students' tuition and educational fees directly to SDSU.

The stipend recipient assumes certain responsibilities, including coursework requirements, and the post-graduation employment requirement. See the **MSW Stipend Requirements** page.

Watch this recording from the Cal IV-E Coordinator.

Post-Graduation Employment Requirement

Upon graduation, MSW Cal IV-E stipend and educational reimbursement recipients have an employment requirement of two years of full-time employment in a California county or state public child welfare agency.

Indigenous graduates may also complete their employment requirement in a California Reservation Child Welfare Services agency, urban Indian agency in California serving Cal IV-E eligible children and families, or a non-California Reservation Child Welfare Services agency. See the SERVE website for more information.

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Pupil Personnel Services Credential Program
Child Welfare & Attendance Specialization

The specialization in school social work program at SDSU prepares students for the practice of social work services in school settings and the education and training necessary to be certified by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing to work in public schools. This program meets the requirements for two specializations for Pupil Personnel Services (PPS) Credentials: (1) School Social Work and (2) Child Welfare and Attendance Services.

The PPS program is integrated into the existing MSW program, with students specializing in Direct Practice. Specific requirements for the School Social Work Specialization are (1) 1000 total clock hours of internship of which 600 are in a public school setting; and students must take SWORK 758 as their fall elective course, and SWORK 798 for one unit in the spring. Once accepted, students will need to apply for a Certificate of Clearance through the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, instructions are given once a student has been admitted to the MSW PPS Program.

Only Cal IV-E students that are interested in pursuing a PPS Credential will be eligible to complete their foundation year (600-level) internship in an approved school placement, as they are required to do their advanced/specialization year (700-level) internship at Child Family Well Being to meet the Cal IV-E requirements. ASP Students are not eligible for this specialization.

Watch this informational recording about the PPSC specialization.

APPLICATION PROCESS
MSW Applicants

If you are interested in this specialization, you will need to indicate so on your supplemental application to the School of Social Work. Enrollment is subject to available capacity and applications will be reviewed by the the PPS Credential Coordinator, Paul Brazzel.

Post- MSW PPS Credential Applicants

Social workers who already have an MSW may apply to the School Social Work Specialization program. In order to meet eligibility for the PPS Credential as required by the State, the practicum requires the candidate to intern as a School Social Worker in selected schools in the San Diego area for the required hours of supervised experience. This experience should be equivalent to the academic program and therefore requires 20 hours per week – at the school site, during regular school hours. Post MSW applicants must apply via Cal State Apply, Graduate Admissions. Once accepted, students will need to apply for a Certificate of Clearance through the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, instructions are given once a student has been admitted to the Post MSW PPS Program.

Specific requirements for the Post MSW School Social Work Specialization are (1) 600 total hours of internship in a public school setting (SWORK 750); and students must take SWORK 758 (School Social Work) as their fall course, and SWORK 798 for one unit in the spring. Internship hours must be earned by the end of the spring semester. PPS requirements must be completed within 7 years of graduating with your MSW degree.

Applicants are required to submit the Cal State Apply application as well as a supplemental department application for Post-MSW PPSC. Both applications are due by December 1st. PPS Frequently Asked Questions



FAQ

About the MSW Program

1. Why should I pursue a master's degree in social work from SDSU?
For over 60 years, SDSU School of Social Work has been committed to excellence in all aspects of professional social work education and training with a long history of community engagement and involvement. We have an excellent faculty who strive to make your educational experience a good one. Our academic program is rigorous, exhilarating and absorbing. Students have many opportunities to examine, consider and challenge their ideas and capabilities.

2. How long will it take to earn my MSW degree?
We offer four curriculum plans, allowing you to complete the MSW program according to your own schedule.

Refer to the course sequence for the different program plans on our website at www.socialwork.sdsu.edu.



3. Why should I attend SDSU for my MSW degree?
SDSU provides an environment that fosters advanced training and original scholarship across all disciplines. It offers prospective graduate students and faculty the opportunity to engage in the highest caliber graduate training, academic scholarship and research, in one of the most beautiful and diverse settings in our nation.

SDSU has been described by the Carnegie Foundation as a "research university with high research activity" a statement reflecting the strength and commitment of the campus to it's Masters programs. Our programs emphasize a low student- to-faculty ratio, which provides opportunities to work closely with faculty.

This enhances the quality of your graduate education and gives you the individual attention that ensures an excellent graduate training experience. The University is a world-class institution, recognized not only for its distinguished academic scholarship but also for its commitment to and success in attracting a diverse cohort.

San Diego State University is one of the most ethnically diverse universities in California. The student body at SDSU is composed of individuals from a wide range of backgrounds. SDSU embraces the rich diversity of its student body and recognizes that this diversity is an integral component to furthering our academic excellence.
https://www.collegevine.com/faq/83383/demographics-at-san-diego-state-university

4. Is there a dual degree program offered?
Yes, the MSW/MPH program is being offered for the upcoming admission cycle - Academic Year 26/27. See the Master of Social Work and Master of Public Health (MSW/MPH) website for more details.

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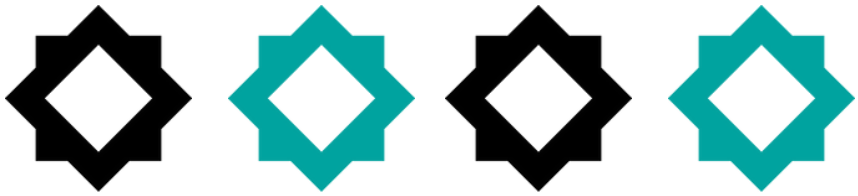

5. Do you offer the MSW program at locations other than San Diego?
Yes, we offer a program at the Imperial Valley SDSU Campus, which begins once every three years. For additional information about this program contact: mswadmissions@sdsu.edu. The next MSW admission that will be offered at the Imperial Valley Campus will be in the Fall of 2026.

6. Do you offer an online or part-time program?
No, we do not have an online option. We do offer a three-year and a four-year curriculum plan that allow students to complete the program at their preferred pace. All programs are only offered in-person.

7. What orientation activities does the school provide for new students?
We require all new students attend an incoming orientation session that will introduce the program, curriculum, field instruction, student organizations and campus resources, which generally takes place one week before classes start. Additionally, we encourage students to set up a campus tour through SDSU Prospective Student services that will provide an introduction to other campus resources and support services, http://sdsu.edu/campustours. The SDSU International Student Center is also available to help foreign students become oriented to the school, http://www.isc.sdsu.edu.

8. Do I need to complete a thesis?
All MSW/MPH students must complete a thesis. For all other MSW students, you have the option to complete a thesis (SWORK 799A, Plan A) or Plan B option (comprehensive exam or publishable paper). Completing a thesis is not required by those who choose Plan B.

About Applying for MSW Admission

9. What type of experience counts towards the 1000 hour requirement?
Any paid, volunteer, internship or work experience that is relevant to the field of social work or human services will count to satisfy this requirement. This includes, but is not limited to, working in a multicultural or diverse environment, with underrepresented groups, disenfranchised populations; direct work with clients is highly desired. This may also include any human service work experience in MICRO (individual/direct practice), MEZZO (families, groups or management), and/or MACRO (policy or administration) work with special populations, in addition research experience would count toward the 1000 hour requirement. We are looking for applicants who can demonstrate their desire and ability to work in the field of social work.

The hours will be reported on the School of Social Work application at the time you apply. While it is highly advised to have the hours completed by the time you apply, you are able to complete hours after the application date if you indicate this on your application and provide a description of the type of work you will be doing.
Please see the MSW Admissions webpage for examples of relevant experience.



FAQ

10. What type of undergraduate degree do I need?
A liberal arts background, spanning both social and biological sciences, is the ideal preparation for the MSW program, but you are encouraged to apply even if your bachelor's degree was not in the liberal arts. We accept all majors.

11. Do I need to take the GRE and when should I take it?
No, students are not required to submit a GRE score.

12. Do I need to take the TOEFL? (Test of English as a Foreign Language)
Yes, if your medium of instruction was in a language other than English. Test scores are reported to the Graduate Division and the School of Social Work by the Education Testing Service, SDSU Institution Code 4682. It generally takes 3-4 weeks for scores to be reported

13. What are the requirements for international applicants?
If you have international coursework, you must have your school send Graduate Admissions one official original-language copy of all records of academic coursework and proof of degree. For each document you must also send a certified literal English translation, which can come directly from the school itself or from a professional, certified translator. The translation must contain all information shown on the original-language documents. For details on which documents are required, check http://www.isc.sdsu.edu. All graduate applicants (regardless of citizenship status) applying to SDSU from an international institution where the medium of instruction was not English, must submit proof of English proficiency. A list of acceptable English proficiency tests can be found on the Graduate Admissions Steps to Apply: https://admissions.sdsu.edu/graduate/steps-apply.

14. How many students are accepted?
Out of roughly 500 applicants we enroll approximately 110 new students in the MSW programs each fall.

15. When will I hear whether I am accepted?
Decision letters are emailed between March and June 5. Wait list students will be notified by the first week of June.

16. What is the MSW program application deadline?
The deadline to apply for all MSW programs is December 1st.

Deadline to Apply is December 1st



FAQ

17. Can I transfer credits from other graduate programs?
Yes, with certain restrictions. Transfer applicants must have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average at their original institution. Class credit will be evaluated and allowed on a case-by-case basis. A maximum of 30 credit hours may be transferred. Please contact mswadmissions@sdsu.edu.

18. Do you offer graduate assistantships?
Yes. Please request a Graduate Assistant (GA) application from https://socialwork.sdsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/ga-application.pdf, then submit your completed GA application with your resume to socwork@sdsu.edu

19. Can I apply to multiple program at SDSU?
No, only one Cal State Apply application per student per term will be considered. You can apply to as many campuses as you wish, each with a $70 application fee, but note you can only apply to one program per campus. The School of Social Work will not review a supplemental application unless the applicant has also completed a Cal State Apply application for the Social Work program at San Diego State University.

20. Is student housing available?
Yes. SDSU Housing Services offers a wide variety of housing options for graduate students, from residence halls to apartments. Most MSW students do not live in university housing since the San Diego area has numerous interesting communities in which to live, many within a reasonable commuting distance from SDSU. Housing applications may only be submitted once you have been admitted to SDSU. Please see the SDSU Housing website http://housing.sdsu.edu for more information.

21. Are International Students allowed to apply for the three or four year program?
No, all international students must enroll in a full course load every semester (9 units for graduates, 12 for undergraduates) to maintain their F-1 status. If they plan to take less than a full load of study, they must complete the Application for Reduced Course Load (ARCL) form https://go.sdsu.edu/student_affairs/internationalstudents/isarcl.aspx every semester which they are under enrolled to maintain their F-1 status. If an international student fails to submit the ARCL form and is not enrolled in a full course load status, they have voided their F-1 status and their SEVIS record will be terminated.



LET'S WORK

TOGETHER

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