



ABOUT MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

Since its founding in 1908, Montclair State University has had a rich history of innovation, distinction and growth. Montclair State, a vital educational force, is ranked as one of the top public universities in the country. Graduates of Montclair State University are well equipped with the skills needed to respond to today's dynamic environment, as well as future challenges and opportunities.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

The College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS) combines a traditional liberal arts education with focused preparation in a wide range of disciplines and professional areas. With 21 majors, more than 40 minors and numerous areas of graduate study and professional certificate programs, we offer students the opportunity to begin a lifetime of learning in the humanities and social sciences while preparing for a successful career.

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK AND CHILD ADVOCACY

The department offers premier undergraduate and graduate academic programs that specialize in service and advocacy for children, youth and families. Our unique focus, small cohort-based classes and distinguished faculty give students unrivaled preparation for a career serving children and families.

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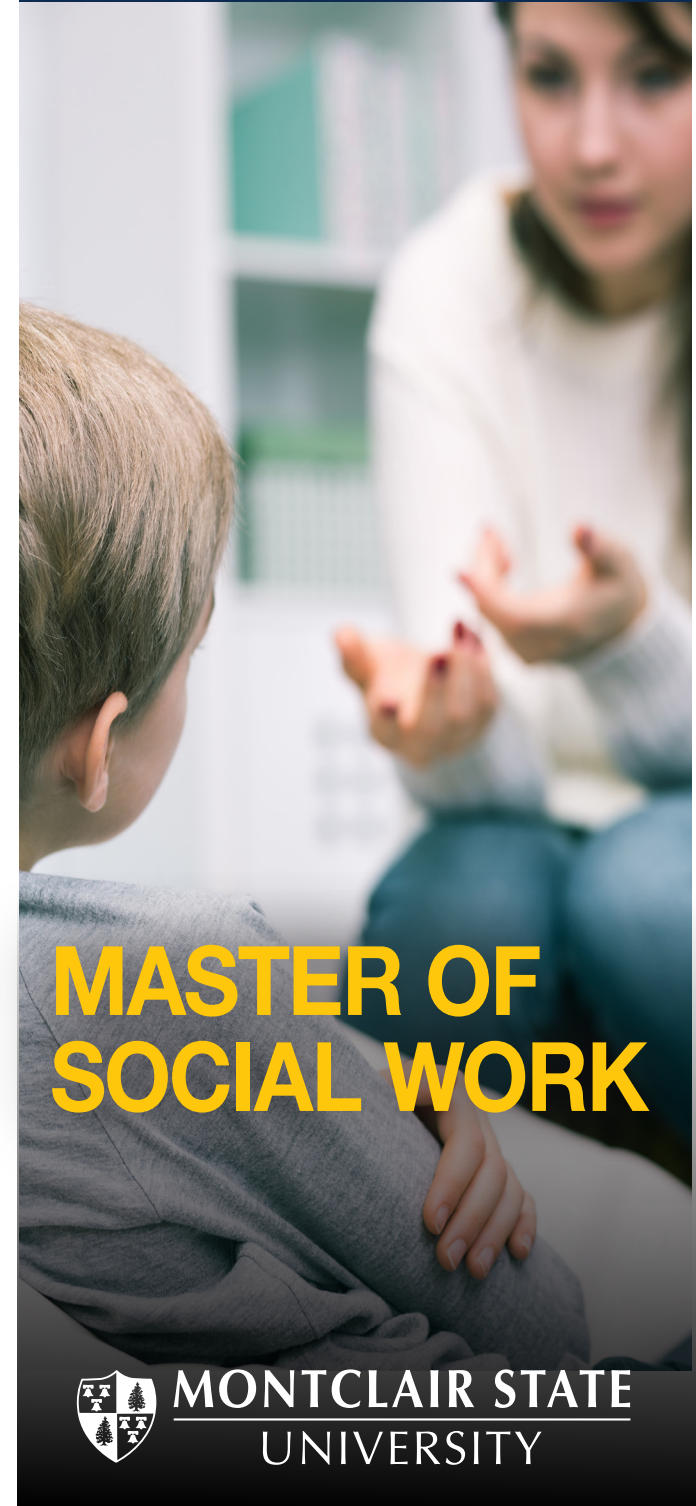
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MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK



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OVERVIEW

The MSW program prepares students to become leaders in social work practice with children, youth and families who live in a diverse and global society. The program trains future practitioners to provide a range of services including counseling, case management and advocacy. Graduates promote the well-being of their clients by engaging in ethical and culturally competent, evidence-based practice, and by demonstrating a strong commitment to social and economic justice.

The MSW is a 60-credit, full-time program. Students enjoy frequent interaction with faculty, small classes and a climate that is conducive to in-depth learning. Students experience both classroom learning and supervised field experiences in a range of human service organizations. Field placements may include mental health clinics, schools, hospitals, child welfare agencies, disability services, substance abuse clinics and justice systems, among others.



PROGRAM STRUCTURE

During the first year, students receive comprehensive training in generalist social work practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities. Students learn to promote client well-being using evidence-based prevention and intervention practices. Students also participate in a supervised field practicum.

During the second year, students receive training in advanced social work practice with children, youth and families. Course topics include clinical practice, family interventions, child and family policy, and trauma-informed practice. Students participate in a supervised field practicum at an agency serving children, adolescents and/or families.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Master's-level social workers are employed in a variety of settings, including:

- Mental health clinics
- Schools
- Hospitals
- Child welfare agencies
- Disability services
- Nonprofit organizations
- Government organizations
- Private practice

FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIES

Financial aid is available in the form of graduate assistantships, institutional scholarships, and federal and private educational loans. Students should contact The Graduate School regarding scholarship and assistantship opportunities, and the Financial Aid Office regarding loan options.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education with a recommended GPA of 3.0
- Two letters of recommendation
- A personal statement that clearly articulates educational and professional goals
- An interview with faculty may be required
- For advanced-standing applicants: a BSW degree from a CSWE-accredited institution is required



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