

West Texas A&M University
Social Work Program Admission Application

Name: _____ Buff ID# _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Which semester do you want to begin the social work major?

Fall _____ Spring _____ Summer I or II _____ Year _____

List any previous major(s): _____

List any previous university or college attended: _____

Have you completed WTAMU's Core Curriculum requirements? Yes _____ No _____
(Please see a degree checklist or your degree plan for a list of core classes).

If no, list remaining Core Courses: _____

Please list the grade for the social work courses you have completed:

SOWK 2361 _____ SOWK 2315 _____ SOWK 3301 _____

Please list any other social work courses you have completed:

What is your current overall grade point average? _____

High School/College Awards and Honors: _____

Employment Experience: _____

Volunteer Experience: _____

Describe a social worker: _____

What life experiences have influenced your decision to major in social work? _____

What is your goal in social work? _____

Why do you think that you are suited to be a social worker? _____

Have you ever been convicted of a violation of any local, state, or federal law, other than a minor traffic violation (this includes a plea of guilty or no contest)?

YES

NO

If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

A "yes" response does not mean you cannot be accepted into or graduate from the social work program. It also does not mean that you cannot get into a satisfactory field placement. However, many agencies run criminal background checks and will/cannot hire people with a criminal record. By letting us know your particular circumstances and

addressing this issue upfront, it will save time and effort for you and for the agency. What you write in this application or on an attached page is received in confidence and shared only with those in the social work program who “need to know.” Feel free to ask questions regarding this issue.

Warning: Most agencies now require that you consent to a background check (including criminal record) and many now require a drug test as well. If there is anything you would like to share with us that might appear in this context, please include this on an additional sheet. Knowing what might come up can help us in guiding you through the Social Work program and Field Placement process.

I have downloaded and read a copy of the Social Work Program Handbook.

Yes _____ No _____

I have read the NASW Code of Ethics and agree to abide by the guidelines of the NASW Code of Ethics.

Yes _____ No _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please attach:

- **An official transcript**
- **A copy of your official degree plan**
- **Two professional letters of recommendation**

Return this application to:

Melody Loya, Ph. D., LMSW
BSW Program Director
Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Social Work
West Texas A&M University
P.O. Box 60876 (OM 427)
Canyon, TX 79016

Your application will be reviewed by the faculty of the Social Work Program and you will be notified of the committee’s decision by mail.