

# West Texas A&M University – MSSW Program

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**The MSSW Program admits students every fall semester. There is little flexibility in class scheduling, although there are part-time options.**

Our program is not fully online – we offer approximately 1/3 of the classes face-to-face, online, and hybrid. The way the courses are offered is designated below; however, the program reserves the right to change formats without notice.

## **Foundation Program (Students without a BSW, or who graduated more than 6 years ago)**

### **Fall**

SOCW 5381: Social Policy and Planning (online)  
SOCW 5383: Micro Social Work Practice (f2f)  
SOCW 5380: Theory of Human Behavior (online)  
SOCW 5321\*: Practice Methods with Diverse Populations (online)

### **Spring**

SOCW 5362\*\*: Research Methods (online)  
SOCW 5310: Groups and Organizations (f2f)  
SOCW 5488: Field Practicum I\*\*\*

### **Summer**

SOCW 5321\*: Practice Methods with Diverse Populations (online)  
SOCW 5498: Field Practicum II\*\*\*

\*Can be taken either semester.

\*\*SOCW 5362 is, at times, offered face-to-face or in a hybrid format.

\*\*\*Students complete 400 hours of foundation field practicum

**Once Foundation students complete the courses above, they begin the advanced courses outlined below.**

## **Advanced Standing Program (Students with a BSW from an accredited university within the last six years)**

### **Fall**

SOCW 6380: Human Behavior in the Social Environment – Lifespan (online)  
SOCW 6321: Critical Social Work (hybrid)  
SOCW 6331: Individual and Group Practice (f2f)

### **Spring**

SOCW 6341: Community and Organizational Practice (hybrid)  
SOCW 6362: Program Evaluation (hybrid)  
SOCW 6397: Applied Social Work Practice I (Field Practicum)#

### **Summer**

SOCW 6310: Advanced Social Policy (online)  
SOCW 6398: Applied Social Work Practice II (Field Practicum)#  
Free Elective##

### **Fall**

SOCW 6305: Integrative Seminar (hybrid)  
SOCW 6399: Applied Social Work Practice III (Field Practicum)#  
Free Elective##

#Students complete 500 hours of advanced field practicum

##Free electives may be taken any semester throughout the program.

**Advanced Standing Program: 36 hours**

**Total Program (w/o Advanced Standing): 62 hours**

