



College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Advising Center

SOCIAL WORK, BA **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION**

The Social Work Program at CCSU has a selective admissions policy. The policy is based on the need to maintain a program of excellence in the classroom and to assure availability of quality internship placements. Acceptance to the Social Work Program is based upon successful completion of the requirements outlined below. Meeting the minimum standards for admission does not guarantee acceptance to the Social Work Program. The Program reserves the right to admit a limited number of students each year.

- ❑ Minimum cumulative GPA of **2.00** for courses taken at CCSU, as well as an overall GPA of **2.00**, which includes both CCSU grades and grades for courses taken at other institutions.
- ❑ A minimum overall GPA of **2.50** for the following introductory Social Work courses and related requirements:
 - ❑ **PS 110** American Government & Politics or **PS 230** American State & Local Govt.
 - ❑ **ECON 200** Principles of Macroeconomics
 - ❑ **BIO 111** Intro to Biology or **BMS 102** Intro to Biomolecular Science
 - ❑ **STAT 215** Stat for Behavioral Sciences or **STAT 104** Elementary Statistics (prerequisite: MATH 101 or MATH 102 or Math 103 (C- or higher) or placement exam)
 - ❑ **SOC 110** Intro to Sociology or **ANTH 140** Intro to Anthropology
 - ❑ **SOC 111** Social Problems or **SW 100** Exploration in Social Work
 - ❑ **SOC 233** Sociology of the Family
 - ❑ ***SW 225** (prerequisite = WRT 110; co-requisite = SW 226 or SW 227)
 - ❑ ***SW 226** (3 prerequisites = SOC 110 or ANTH 140, SOC 111 or SW 100, & PS 110 or PS 230)
 - ❑ ***SW 227** (2 prerequisites = SOC 233 & BIO 111 or BMS 102)
 - * SW 226 & SW 227 both require 70 hours volunteer fieldwork and cannot be taken together in the same semester.
 - *SW 225 & SW 227 must be completed at CCSU.

Each of these courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C or higher.

NOTE: Students may be enrolled in some prerequisite courses at the time of application but must complete them with a C or higher and maintain the minimum GPA requirements before full admission will be granted.

- ❑ A minimum score of 2 (emerging) in each of the following CSWE competencies:
 - 2.1.1 Identify as a professional social worker and conduct oneself accordingly
 - 2.1.3 Apply critical thinking to inform and communicate professional judgements
 - 2.1.4 Engage diversity and difference in practice
- ❑ A minimum score of 3 in every category of the *Sophomore Volunteer Field Evaluations*
- ❑ A minimum score of 3 on the *Professional Social Work Disposition Rubric*. This is assessed in SW 226 and SW 227, if taken at CCSU.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Fall Semester: **October 1** Spring Semester: **March 1** Summer: **August 1**

A COMPLETE APPLICATION INCLUDES

Application to the Social Work Program is done through an online platform called **Student Learning and Licensure** (SL&L). Upon admission to the Social Work Program, SL&L will be needed to submit course assignments and to apply to the Field Education Experience for the final year of the program. Students will be required to purchase a subscription for a one-time fee of \$147.83 (prices subject to change) plus tax.

Applicants will need to upload or scan the items listed below into SL&L to complete the application.

- ❑ A signed copy of the Background Information (FERPA) Release form. **Note:** This form can be accessed in the application.
- ❑ An official transcript from CCSU and every college/university attended by the applicant. Transcripts should be obtained directly from the college or university previously attended. Official transcripts marked “Issued to Student” are acceptable. When possible, it is best to request e-transcripts.
- ❑ Degree Evaluation.
- ❑ ***Transfer Students Only:*** Course syllabi from any Social Work courses transferred into CCSU.
- ❑ Personal Narrative from SW 225.
- ❑ 70-Hour Volunteer Generalist Practice Evaluation(s) from SW 226 and/or SW 227.
- ❑ Current Resume.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

- The Social Work department faculty review each student application in SL&L to assess student preparedness to be admitted to the Social Work Program.
- Accepted and conditionally accepted students must attend a mandatory Orientation Meeting. The Social Work Department will notify students with the date and time of the orientation meeting.
- At the Orientation Meeting, attendees will meet with the Social Work faculty and the Department Chairperson. Attendees are informed on program policies, requirements, fieldwork expectations, and assessments. This is an opportunity for attendees to meet their peers and Social Work faculty, and ask questions about the program, the application process, and/or entrance to the Social Work Program.