

# Ph.D. Program in Social Work

## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

Applying for **Spring 20** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATUS:** Full-time (9 or more credit hours) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Fall 20** \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time (Less than 9 credit hours) \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family Name) First Middle

**2. Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

**3. Home Phone :** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ **Work Phone:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**4. FAX #:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Gender:** \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female **6. Birth date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Race:** \_\_\_\_\_ **8. Social Security No:** \_\_\_\_\_

**9. State of legal residence:** \_\_\_\_\_

**10. All universities and colleges attended:**

| Name  | Years Attended | Degree earned & date | GPA | Major |
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**11. Graduate Record Examination (GRE):** Scores forwarded \_\_\_\_\_ Exam taken/will be taken \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month/Year)

**12. Paid Social Work Experience:** (Starting with the most recent, list paid social work professional employments.)  
 Attach extra sheet, if necessary.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Agency Position Held Beginning and ending dates

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Supervisor Street Address City State Zip Phone #

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Agency Position Held Beginning and ending dates

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Supervisor Street Address City State Zip Phone #

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Agency Position Held Beginning and ending dates

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Supervisor Street Address City State Zip Phone #

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Agency Position Held Beginning and ending dates

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**13. References:** (Give the names of people you are using as references — two academic and one employer)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Full Name College/Agency

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Street Address City State Zip

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Full Name College/Agency

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Street Address City State Zip

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Full Name College/Agency

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Street Address City State Zip

**I understand that withholding information or giving false information make me ineligible for admission or enrollment.**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AN APPLICANT FOR ADMISSION SHALL NOT BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BECAUSE OF AGE, COLOR, GENDER, MARITAL STATUS, NATIONAL ORIGIN, RACE, RELIGION, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.**

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WRITING SAMPLE**

Each applicant to the doctoral program is requested to provide a sample of written material. In order to meet this requirement, we are requesting that you write a 3-4 page (double spaced) paper in response to the question posed below and to submit it with your application materials. In addition to the writing sample, you may supply other written products to be considered which may be one of the following:

1. A paper presented or proposed for a conference, workshop, or training presentation.
2. A paper proposed, submitted, or accepted for publication in a journal or other acceptable periodical.
3. A working paper or literature review on a topic that you have explored since graduating.

**WRITING SAMPLE QUESTION:**

The trend of the social work profession in the past thirty years has been to concentrate on clinical helping - individual counseling, family therapy, and group work rather than macro level helping. In this respect it is argued that social workers tend to serve people who have already been damaged by the effects of social problems, rather than working toward the eradication of the causes and conditions of social decay itself. In this sense, social work is reactive rather than proactive. Do you believe this assessment is correct? Why or why not? If you believe it is true, comment on the implications of this trend for the practice of social work today. If you do not believe it is true, comment on the role of clinical helping in relation to social problems and social conditions.