The School of Social Welfare at the University at Albany opens doors to meaningful and exciting career opportunities. The Master of Social Work program prepares students to become social change agents, to assess and address social needs of individuals, families and groups, and to work with communities to dismantle oppressive systems.

Our Master of Social Work students can take advantage of full-time, part-time, online and blended course options, an advanced standing track and five dual degree programs. All students complete a generalist curriculum that provides foundation knowledge and skills for social work practice with diverse populations across a range of settings. Then students select a concentration in clinical or macro practice. Along with their classes, students complete internships at agencies with missions to address social and economic problems.

With our Master of Social Work degree, graduates can work in a variety of roles and settings.

**ROLES**

COUNSELOR  
CASE MANAGER  
POLICY ADVOCATE  
COMMUNITY ORGANIZER  
PROGRAM MANAGER

**SETTINGS**

HOSPITALS  
NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS  
SCHOOLS  
HOMELESS SHELTERS  
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

AND MANY MORE!

“The coursework was engaging, challenging, and practical, the professors and staff were knowledgeable and supportive, and the field placements exposed me to multiple populations while giving me invaluable hands-on experience. I could not have asked for a more meaningful graduate experience.”

NATALIE TURNER, MSW GRADUATE
The UAlbany School of Social Welfare is a vibrant exciting place with a passionate, committed and diverse group of students, faculty and staff. I am constantly inspired by my colleagues and the students who make up our social welfare family. We are joining together to address social challenges and to be the change agents of the future!

ERIC HARDIMAN, MSW PROGRAM CHAIR

WHY MSW @UALBANY?

➤ COST: Earn your master’s degree from an exceptional program with tuition rates lower than those at most private universities.

➤ FACULTY: Learn from a diverse group of renowned scholars and leaders in cutting edge researchers, in small classes.

➤ LOCATION: Live in New York’s Capital home to state government, the legislature, policy makers, and advocacy organizations.

➤ NETWORK: Join a supportive network of alumni working in — and leading — the social work field.

➤ INTERNSHIPS: Gain practical experiences that are supervised by experienced social workers in community-based agencies. Learning at field sites is intricately tied to classroom learning, with students applying skills in real world settings.

“For more information on the Master of Social Work, visit https://www.albany.edu/ssw/msw.php or contact the Graduate School at graduate@albany.edu or (518) 442-3980.

MSW FAST FACTS

60 CREDITS

MINIMUM COMPLETED

2019-2020 Tuition (per credit):

IN STATE: $545 / OUT OF STATE: $925

150 GRADUATING CLASS SIZE

Average size from 2008-2015

1,000 HOURS

Fieldwork hours completed by the end of an MSW degree

500+ AGENCIES

Number of agencies available for social work internships

ACCREDITED BY THE COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION

STUDENTS CHOOSE A PRACTICE METHOD CONCENTRATION

Focuses on methods of change through social work practice interventions with individuals, families, and groups.

Focuses on methods of social change through community organizing, policy advocacy or non-profit organization leadership.

APPLY ONLINE

The Graduate School at the University at Albany offers an online step-by-step guide to the application process. This resource provides detailed information for both domestic and international students, and includes forms, deadlines, requirements and fees.

www.albany.edu/graduate/apply

Student consumer information, including non-discriminatory policies, safety and security, Cleary Act, etc., can be found at http://www.albany.edu/ir/rtk