

**FACULTY SENATE
December 18, 2025**

Graduate Studies Committee

1. Department of Accounting & Finance
 - a. Change in existing degree program: Accounting MS
2. Department of Social Work
 - a. Application to Add Distance Education: Social Work MSW (Informational)

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee & General Education Committee

Due to the absence of curriculum items, the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee meeting scheduled for December 5th and the General Education Committee meeting scheduled for December 8th were cancelled.

1. DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE
A. CHANGE IN EXISTING DEGREE: ACCOUNTING MS

FROM:

~~CORE COURSES~~

Complete All of the Following Courses:

FNC 600 - Financial Management
MGT 600 - The Administrative Process
MGT 605 - Business, Government, and Society
MKT 600 - Strategic Marketing Management

~~Advanced Courses~~

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ACC 740 – Tax Strategies and Business Decisions
ACC 750 - Accounting Research Course
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ACC 760 – Government and Not-For-Profit Accounting
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FNC 740 – Financial Planning
MGT 720 – Global Business Strategy
MGT 730 – Strategic Human Resource Management
MGT 790 – Seminar in Contemporary Business Topics
MGT 820 - Intellectual Property Management
MKT 730 - Services Marketing and Management
MGT 735 - Services Marketing and Management
MKT 740 - Business-to-Business Marketing
BDA 651 - Computational and Statistical Methods for Business and Economics
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BDA 762 - Analysis Techniques for Large-Scale Data-Spatial Statistical Techniques
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RATIONALE This change in required courses adds Tax Strategies and Business Decisions—previously a selective course—to better align the program with core accounting competencies. In exchange, Business, Government, and Society has been moved from the required list to the selective course list. In addition, the categories of “core courses” and “advanced courses” are removed, since advanced courses are not always taken later, as most courses are offered only once a year.
EFFECTIVE: FALL 2026
SUBMISSION TO COMMITTEE CHAIR: 11/23/25
APPROVAL Accounting & Finance Department 11/21/2025, GSC 12/8/25
CONSULTATION: School of Business 10/25

2. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

A. Request to Add Distance Education Option: Master of Science in Social Work

RATIONALE: The College of Staten Island’s Master of Social Work (MSW) program is well-positioned to expand its offerings through a distance education model, thereby strengthening its academic footprint across New York City and meeting the region’s urgent workforce needs in behavioral health and social services. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the program’s faculty systematically adapted existing face-to-face courses for high-quality online delivery, developing extensive experience in digital pedagogy and instructional design. Many non-practicum courses are now offered in both in-person and online formats, with syllabi, assignments, and learning activities intentionally redesigned to ensure equivalent rigor, accessibility, and engagement across modalities.

Expanding distance education offerings will build on this established infrastructure, increase access for working professionals and underrepresented populations across the five boroughs, and align with CUNY’s mission to promote equity and access through innovative, flexible learning options. This initiative also supports the social work profession’s national priority of addressing workforce shortages by preparing a diverse pipeline of MSW graduates equipped to deliver trauma-informed, anti-racist, and community-based services in both urban and virtual environments.

Importantly, this expansion keeps CSI’s MSW program in step with other accredited MSW programs across New York State that have already integrated distance education to meet student demand for flexibility and accessibility. Offering a high-quality online pathway will make the program more marketable and competitive in student recruitment, especially for working professionals, caregivers, and residents of outer boroughs and surrounding regions seeking an

affordable and reputable CUNY social work education. Through this initiative, CSI will remain a leader in preparing the next generation of social workers equipped to serve diverse communities across both traditional and digital practice settings.

APPROVAL: Department of Social Work 12/25, GSC 12/8/25