The Master of Social Work (MSW) program strives to educate students for advanced, urban social work practice in the community, region, and worldwide, with an emphasis on meeting the needs of people with disabilities. The curriculum is guided by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) and the State of New York Education Department.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The Master of Social Work Program requires 60 credits to complete. The curriculum is composed of 16 required courses, four internship courses providing 1,200 hours of supervised internship placement, three integrative seminars, and one graduate elective.

The Master of Social Work Advanced Standing Program requires 32 credits to complete. The curriculum is composed of a 6-week summer bridge course, six required courses, two internship courses providing 720 hours of supervised internship placement, one integrative seminar, and two graduate electives.

The curriculum combines both method courses and a field of practice concentration in disability studies in either a clinical or macro track. The program may be completed on a full-time or part-time basis; however, internships are two days per week (8 hours per day) between 8 am and 6pm - Monday thru Friday during the first internship and three days for the second internship. Course sequence is predetermined. Please note that the program must be completed within 4 years.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution
- Overall Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0
- Applicants (except for students eligible and applying for advanced standing) must have completed a statistics course by the time they are admitted in the Fall.
- Students who graduated with a Bachelor’s degree in Social Work from a CSWE accredited program within the past five years may be considered for Advanced Standing.
- Applicants applying for Advanced Standing must submit a copy of their BSW final field evaluation with their application.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Graduate Application:
The application must be completed online at www.csi.cuny.edu/graduatestudies.

Transcripts:
Applicants must request official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended. If you are currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution, have one transcript sent now and another sent when you complete the courses that you are taking. Applicants who have been enrolled at CSI do not need to request a CSI transcript; the Office of Recruitment and Admissions will obtain a copy.
Application Fee:
A $125.00 non-refundable application fee is required of all applicants. Please make your check or money order payable to the College of Staten Island.

Personal Statement:
Submit a four- to five-page personal statement that answers a predetermined set of questions. Access the Master of Social Work personal statement questions at www.csi.cuny.edu/graduatestudies (please select “Graduate Forms”).

Letters of Recommendation:
Three letters of recommendation from instructors or employers are required. Access the Master of Social Work Recommendation Form at www.csi.cuny.edu/graduatestudies (please select “Graduate Forms”).

Field Placement Application:
All applicants are required to complete a field placement application. If admitted, students are required to complete a specified amount of internship hours. The information applicants provide in this application does not affect their eligibility to the program. However, the application will not be considered complete without the field placement application. Access the Field Placement Application at www.csi.cuny.edu/graduatestudies (please select “Graduate Forms”).

Résumé
Current résumé detailing all relevant past and present professional employment, experience, and related service.

Interview:
After initial review, an interview may be required.

TOEFL or IELTS:
The TOEFL or IELTS exam is a requirement of students for whom English is a second language.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): The minimum required score is 100 (Internet). For additional information or to register for the exam, please visit the TOEFL website at www.ets.org. Our institutional code is 2778.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS): We will only accept the academic exam scores. The minimum required score is 7 (overall band). For additional information or to register for the exam, please visit the IELTS website at www.ielts.org.

DEADLINE
The Master of Social Work program only admits new applicants for the fall semester only. The priority deadline is February 15th.

All documents must be submitted to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

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