OUR MISSION:
To develop culturally responsive practitioners, scholars, researchers, and leaders to create a more just society.

Iowa City MSW Program
- Full-time and part-time options
- Direct pathway to licensure
- Abundant opportunities to gain professional experience in the field
- Two available concentrations: Social Work Clinical Practice or Social Work Leadership Practice
- Emphasis on social justice

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Regular Standing (2-, 3-, and 4-year options): If you have completed a bachelor’s degree in a discipline other than Social Work

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Accelerated Advanced Standing (1 full year): If you have completed a bachelor’s degree in Social Work and you meet additional criteria

Our Master of Social Work program prepares social workers to be the leaders shaping the future of the profession.

- Two concentrations: Social Work Clinical Practice or Social Work Leadership Practice
- Education in family-based, community-based, and culturally competent practice approaches using the person-in-environment framework
- Highly-focused skill development in navigating complex social and ethical issues
- Understanding of advanced interventions at multiple system levels, supervision, program development and administration, policy development, and dissemination of new models of practice
- Emphasis on faculty research, analytic and scientific thinking, and practice and program evaluation
- Relationship building within allied community organizations
- Abundant practicum opportunities for hands-on learning and experience
- Direct pathway to social work licensure

MSW Enduring Understandings:

- Commitment to advance social justice and fight discrimination and inequity.
- Adherence to a high standard of ethics.
- Using a systemic perspective, understanding the interconnectedness of people and their environments, and the systems in which we operate.
- Critical thinking, where problem-solving, creativity, and innovation are as important as learning of facts.
- Self-awareness and effective use of self are crucial to effective relationships at all levels of practice.

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