

Simmons University - School of Social Work MSW Program Plan

For students entering September 2025

MSW Extended Plan with Clinical Practice with Active Service Members, Veterans, and Families

Year 1			Year 2			Year 3	
FALL	SPRING	SUMMER*	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER*	FALL	SPRING
SW 409 Dynamics of Racism & Oppression (3)	SW 403 Macro Social Work Practice (3)	SW 422 Substance Use and Social Work (3)	SW 446A Practicum Education (5)	SW 446B Practicum Education I (4)	SW 414 Assessment & Diagnosis (3)	SW 447A Practicum Education I (4)	SW 447B Practicum Education II (4)
SW 411 Human Behavior in the Social Environment (3)	SW 441 Social Work Research (3)	SW 464 Understanding Suicide(3)	SW 421A Social Work Practice (3)**	SW 421B Social Work Practice (3)**	Certificate Elective (3)	SW 424A Advanced Clinical Practice (3)**	SW 424B Advanced Clinical Practice (3)**
				SW 404 Social Welfare Policy (3)		SW 509 Evaluation in Social Work Practice (3)	SWO 517 Military SW Practice II: Therapeutic Intervention within Military Cultural Context (3) ONLINE
						SWO 516 Military SW Practice I: Intro to Systems, Culture, Health, & Social Issues (3) ONLINE	
6	6	6	8	10	6	13	10
			Practicum Placement	Practicum Placement		Practicum Placement	Practicum Placement

***Students are required to follow course sequencing in the program plan. Any deviations must be approved by your Academic Advisor.**

Students may take no more than TWO courses in the summer session. Students using financial aid need to take a minimum of 5 credits to be eligible during the summer semester. Please contact Student Financial Services (x2001) with financial aid questions.

****Students must stay in the same section (day, time, and professor) of Practice (SW 421 and SW 424) for both Fall and Spring semesters.**

All students in Practicum must also be concurrently registered for a Practice class:

All students in Year I Practicum: SW-446A/B register for Social Work Practice: SW-421A/B

All students in Year II Practicum: SW-447A/B register for Advanced Practice: SW-424A/B

Certificate electives: (not all offered each term)

- SW425 Family Approaches in Clinical Social Work
- SW475 Narrative Approaches to Social Work
- SW566 Play Therapy
- SW576 SW Practice with Disorders of Dissociation
- SW589 DBT in Clinical Social Work Practice

Students may only be enrolled in one certificate program. Students in this program are unable to specialize.