

## Prerequisites for the Kent School of Social Work MSSW Program

**Requirements:** Applicants must have completed a course in statistics, a course in research methodology, and a course in human biology as prerequisites for admission to the Kent School. A student who needs to complete any of these three may be granted a Conditional admission and must successfully complete prerequisites by the end of the first semester. Upon such completion the Conditional status will be removed. Any student who has prerequisites to complete will be prevented from registering for second semester classes until proof of completion of all prerequisites has been submitted to Kent School.

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**Prerequisite Fulfillment via Kent School's online classes:** Kent School now offers 3 **online courses** which fulfill these prerequisites: **Human Biology, Research Methods, and Statistics**.

Each course:

- is especially designed to provide content that has relevance to social work
- may be taken as soon as admitted and must be completed by the end of the first semester (though preferably before the first semester).
- is expected to be **less labor intensive** than a traditional college course
- taken on a pass/fail basis
- completely **online** with no assignments
- offered at the low rate of **\$110**

**You must be admitted to Kent School before you can begin these online prerequisites.**

**Registration:** You may register for the courses either by contacting the Coordinator of Continuing Education (502) 852-4769 or by registering on line at <https://louisville.edu/kent/forms/masters-preqrequisite-registration-form> For more information about how the courses are structured, visit: <http://louisville.edu/kent/continuing-education/contedfiles/files/prereq.pdf>

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**Classroom Courses at U of L:** The following provides a list of classroom courses at the University of Louisville that would satisfy the research, statistics and human biology prerequisites. Kent School does not necessarily recommend these courses, but merely advises that they fulfill the requirements.

<u>COURSE</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
<b>RESEARCH</b> (1 course only)		
JA 325	Research Design	Justice Administration
Psychology 302	Experimental Psychology	Psychology
Political Science 390	Political Research	Political Science
Sociology 303	Intro to Research Methods	Sociology
Marketing 441	Marketing Research	School of Business
PADM 603	Policy Analysis & Program Evaluation	Public Administration
COMM 316	Research Methods	Communications
<b>STATISTICS</b> (1 course only)		
JA 326	Quantitative Analysis	Justice Administration
Psychology 301	Quantitative Methods in Psychology	Psychology
MGMT 201	Business Statistics	School of Business
Sociology 301	Intro to Social Statistics	Sociology
ECPY 540	Evaluation/Measurement in Education	College of Education

**BOTH RESEARCH & STATISTICS**

ELFH 600

Introduction to Research Methods & Statistics

College of Education

**HUMAN BIOLOGY** (1 course only)

PSYC 344

Physiological Psychology

Psychology

SW 203

Biology for Social Sciences

Social Work

HSS 202

Human Anatomy and Physiology

Health & Sport Sciences

**Courses taken at other colleges and universities:** You can request consideration of a completed course other than one listed above by emailing a copy of the course description AND course syllabus to Dr. Pamela Yankeelov, Associate Dean of Student Services at Kent School when applying for admission at: [pam.yankeelov@louisville.edu](mailto:pam.yankeelov@louisville.edu) You will be notified of the decision.

If you are granted Conditional Admission to Kent School (see above) and you would like to take a course at another institution to satisfy a prerequisite, please send a copy of the course description and syllabus to Dr. Pamela Yankeelov, Associate Dean of Student Services at Kent School, [pam.yankeelov@louisville.edu](mailto:pam.yankeelov@louisville.edu), before you take the course so a decision can be made about the appropriateness of the course.

**Additionally:** We encourage you to take prerequisites on a **pass/fail basis** for the purpose of satisfying Kent School requirements. However, the department has the right to deny a student's request for pass/fail status. You should make this request when registering for the prerequisite.

**Documentation:** When you have completed your prerequisites, send an official transcript showing completion of the prerequisites to Sharon Crook, Admissions Office, Room 11, Kent School of Social Work, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY 40292. If a transcript is not available, as in some online courses, send the certificate of completion to Sharon Crook at the above address.