

Curriculum Plans

2020/2021 MSSW CURRICULUM PLANS

When registering for classes each semester, students should refer to their curriculum plan. The curriculum plans are used to ensure that students proceed through the MSSW program as quickly and successfully as possible. Students are required to follow their chosen curriculum plan every semester when registering for courses. **Before making any changes to their chosen curriculum plan, students must contact MSSW Advising at msswhelp@louisville.edu. Adding/Dropping classes not indicated on the curriculum plan may delay the students' graduation date and/or affect their financial aid awards.**

Go to the appropriate section to select a curriculum plan:

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- **Section 2** - 60-Hour Curriculum Plans (Dual Degree Programs)
- **Section 3**- 30-Hour Curriculum Plans

Important notes about the MSSW Curriculum Plans

Regular Program or **60-hour** students will have a **curriculum plan with a single letter**.

Advanced Standing or **30-hour** students will have a **curriculum plan with double letters**.

Full-time status equals 9 credit hours or more, part-time status equals 6 credit hours. **Please Note: Kent scholarships are not available in summer semesters. Please contact the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for summer aid at 502-852-5511.**

- For **60-hour** students: During your foundation year, your curriculum plan will be the generic 60-hour plan without any specialization (plans A – Q).
- For **30-hour** students: Please indicate on your Graduate Application for admissions if you are applying to a specialization as this impacts the choices for your advanced practicum site. Dual Degree programs are **not** available to 30-hour students.
- Each 3-credit hour graduate MSSW course is scheduled to meet one day each week. Classes on Belknap campus are generally offered during the following times slots:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays: 9:30 am – 12 pm; 1 pm – 3:30 pm; 5 – 7:30 pm

Wednesdays, 1 pm – 3:30 pm; 5 – 7:30 pm only

Saturdays, 9:30 am – 12 pm and 1 pm – 3:30 pm.

In order to determine which specific time slots each class is offered, you will need to check the UL Schedule of Courses: hal.louisville.edu

Go to, Term: semester & year to be viewed; Subject: Social Work; Press Search Button. **DO THIS BEFORE GOING TO ULINK AND WRITE DOWN THE 4-5 DIGIT CLASS NUMBER.**

All Students are required to have a working laptop and to abide by all technology requirements

Dual Degree Curriculum Plans (60-hr students only)

60-HOUR PROGRAM DUAL DEGREES
MSSW/Juris Doctor* (JD)
MSSW/Master of Divinity* (MDiv)
MSSW/Master of Arts in Pan African Studies* (PAS)
MSSW/Master of Arts in Women & Gender Studies* (WGST)
MSSW/Master of Arts in Healthcare Ethics* (BMH)
MSSW/Master of Science in Couple & Family Therapy (MS CFT)

Important: Dual degree opportunities are available to 60hr students. If admitted to one of the above graduate programs, please submit a copy of the acceptance letter to MSSW Academic Advising. The dual degree curriculum plans below are only an example of what a dual degree plan could potentially look like for each academic unit above in combination with the MSSW curriculum.

A student admitted to a dual degree will engage in careful curriculum planning by collaborating with both departments to develop a curriculum plan that meets both academic unit requirements. Please contact MSSW Advising Office at msswhelp@louisville.edu to navigate any curriculum planning.

MSSW/Juris Doctor Dual Degree

A typical plan in the Law dual degree includes 1 year at Kent School, followed by the second year in the alternate academic school. The following is only an example of a Full-Time 5-year plan.

First Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 601 Human Behavior & the Social Environment I SW 602 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies & Services SW 603 Social Justice Practice SW 604 SW Practice I* SW 670 Foundation SW Practicum I*	SW 619 Human Behavior & the Social Environment II SW 622 Issues in Policy and Service Delivery SW 626 Research Methodology & Design SW 605 SW Practice II* SW 671 Foundation SW Practicum II*	No Courses
Second Year		
Follow the standard first year curriculum at the Law School		
Third Year		
Fall	Spring	
SW 641 Social Justice Policy SW 640 Adv SW Practice II** SW 668 Adv Research Practice I SW 672 Adv SW Practicum I**	SW 677 Adv SW Practice III** SW 673 Adv SW Practicum II** SW 642 Psychopathology	<i>Graduate with MSSW in May</i>
Fourth Year		
Follow the standard second year curriculum at the Law School		
Fifth Year		
Finalize any curriculum at the Law School		

*SW 604 & SW 670 (Fall) and SW 605 & SW 671 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

** SW 640 & SW 672 (Fall) and SW 677 & SW 673 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

MSSW/Master of Divinity Dual Degree

The Master of Divinity is offered through Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

A typical plan in the Divinity dual degree includes 1 year at Kent School, followed by the second year in the alternate academic school. The following is only an example of a Full-Time 4-year plan.

First Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 601 Human Behavior & the Social Environment I SW 602 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies & Services SW 603 Social Justice Practice SW 604 SW Practice I* SW 670 Foundation SW Practicum I*	SW 619 Human Behavior & the Social Environment II SW 622 Issues in Policy & Service Delivery SW 626 Research Methodology & Design SW 605 SW Practice II* SW 671 Foundation SW Practicum II*	No Courses
Second Year		
Follow the standard first year curriculum at the Seminary		
Third Year		
Fall	Spring	
SW 641 Social Justice Policy SW 640 Adv SW Practice II** SW 668 Adv Research Practice I SW 672 Adv SW Practicum I**	SW 677 Adv SW Practice III** SW 673 Adv SW Practicum II** SW 642 Psychopathology	<i>Graduate with MSSW in May</i>
Fourth Year		
Follow the standard second year curriculum at the Seminary		

*SW 604 & SW 670 (Fall) and SW 605 & SW 671 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

**SW 640 & SW 672 (Fall) and SW 677 & SW 673 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

MSSW/Master of Arts in Pan African Studies Dual Degree

A typical plan in the Pan African Studies dual degree includes taking courses from both academic units each semester. The following is only an example of a Full-Time 3-year plan. *Please contact the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for summer aid at 502-852-5511.*

First Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 601 Human Behavior & the Social Environment I SW 602 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies & Services PAS 615 OR SW 603 Social Justice Practice	SW 619 Human Behavior & the Social Environment II SW 622 Issues in Policy and Service Delivery PAS course approved by PAS dept. PAS course approved by PAS dept.	
Second Year		
SW 604 SW Practice I* SW 670 Foundation SW Practicum I* PAS 602 Theories & Issues in PAS PAS course approved by PAS dept.	SW 605 SW Practice II* SW 671 Foundation SW Practicum II* PAS course approved by PAS dept. PAS course approved by PAS dept.	SW 641 Adv Practice I PAS course approved by PAS dept. (if available)
Third Year		
Fall	Spring	
SW 640 Adv SW Practice II** SW 672 Adv SW Practicum I** PAS course approved by PAS dept. PAS course approved by PAS dept. (if no prior summer PAS was available)	SW 677 Adv SW Practice III** SW 673 Adv SW Practicum II** SW 642 Psychopathology PAS course Thesis	<i>Graduate with MA in PAS and MSSW in May</i>

*SW 604 & SW 670 (Fall) and SW 605 & SW 671 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

**SW 640 & SW 672 (Fall) and SW 677 & SW 673 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

*****Courses from Pan-African Studies must include:** Students will take 11 PAS courses approved by the PAS department (33 credits) if taking PAS 615 and 13 MSSW courses (39) credits; if taking SW 603, students will take 10 PAS courses approved by the PAS department (30 credits) and 14 MSSW courses (42 credits).

MSSW/Master of Arts in Women & Gender Studies Dual Degree

A typical plan in the Women & Gender Studies dual degree includes taking courses from both academic units each semester. The following is only an example of a Full-Time 3-year plan. *Please contact the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for summer aid at 502-852-5511.*

First Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 601 Human Behavior & the Social Environment I SW 602 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies & Services SW 603 Social Justice Practice ***WGST 602 Feminist Research and Theory in the Social Sciences ***WGST 600: Research/Writing (1-hour course)	SW 619 Human Behavior & the Social Environment II SW 622 Issues in Policy and Service Delivery ***WGST 603: History of American Feminism ***WGST course from one of four core areas	No courses
Second Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 604 SW Practice I* SW 670 Foundation SW Practicum I* ***WGST course from one of the core areas ***WGST course from one of the core areas	SW 605 SW Practice II* SW 671 Foundation SW Practicum II* ***WGST course from one of the core areas ***WGST elective	SW 626 Research Methodology & Design SW 641 Social Justice Policy
Third Year		
Fall	Spring	
SW 640 Adv SW Practice II** SW 668 Adv Research Practice I SW 672 Adv SW Practicum I** ***WGST elective	SW 677 Adv SW Practice III** SW 642 Psychopathology SW 673 Adv SW Practicum II** ***WGST elective	<i>Graduate with MA in WGST and MSSW in May</i>

*SW 604 & SW 670 (Fall) and SW 605 & SW 671 (Spring) must be taken concurrently

**SW 640 & SW 672 (Fall) and SW 677 & SW 673 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

***The following is a list of WGST core courses and elective options required for the dual degree:

One of the following courses in **Women's/Gender History**: WGST 630: Feminism in Western Civilization, WGST 631: Women in Europe and the U.S. in the 20th Century, WGST 633: Women in 19th-Century America, WGST 532: History of American Sexualities, or WGST 591/691: Topics in WGS [example: Latin American Women]

One of the following courses in **Gender, Race, and Colonialism** (choose 1 not chosen in another category): WGST 643: Black Women's Voices, WGST 640: Women's Health in Africa, WGST 558: Women and Leadership in Developing Nations or WGST 591, 593, 691, 692: Topics in WGS [example, Southern Women, Black and White]

One of the following courses in **Humanities Perspectives on Women/Gender** (choose 1 not chosen in another category): WGST 622: The Body in Popular Media, WGST 520: Women's Personal Narratives, WGST 560: Feminist Philosophical Literature, WGST 571: Francophone Women Writers and Critics, WGST 593/692: Topics in WGS [example, Feminist Theology]

One of the following courses in **Social Science Perspective on Women/Gender** (choose 1 not chosen in another category): WGST 656: Feminist Theory, WGST 612: Gender, Race, Work and Welfare, WGST 615: Sociology of Disabilities, WGST 538: American Women in Sports, WGST 535: Women's Health Issues, WGST 643: Black Women's Voices, WGST 640: Women's Health in Africa, WGST 558: Women and Leadership in Developing Nations, WGST 591/691: Topics in WGS [example, Gender & the Law]

Concentration courses: Three concentration electives in WGST (Graduate Women & Gender Studies website: <https://louisville.edu/wgs/>)

MSSW/Master of Arts in Healthcare Ethics Dual Degree

A typical plan in the Healthcare Ethics dual degree includes taking courses from both academic units each semester. The following is only an example of a Full-Time 3-year plan. *Please contact the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for summer aid at 502-852-5511.*

First Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 601 Human Behavior & the Social Environment I SW 602 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies & Services +SW 603 Social Justice Practice BETH course approved by BETH dept.	SW 619 Human Behavior & the Social Environment II +SW 622 Issues in Policy and Service Delivery BETH course approved by BETH dept. BETH course approved by BETH dept.	No courses
Second Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 604 SW Practice I* SW 670 Foundation SW Practicum I* BETH course approved by BETH dept.	SW 605 SW Practice II* SW 671 Foundation SW Practicum II* BETH course approved by BETH dept.	+SW 626 Research Methodology & Design SW 641 Social Justice Policy
Third Year		
Fall	Spring	
SW 640 Adv SW Practice II** SW 668 Adv Research Practice I SW 672 Adv SW Practicum I** BETH course approved by BETH dept.	SW 677 Adv SW Practice III** SW 673 Adv SW Practicum II** SW 642 Psychopathology BETH course approved by BETH dept.	<i>Graduate with MA in BMH and MSSW in May</i>

*SW 604 & SW 670 (Fall) and SW 605 & SW 671 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

**SW 640 & SW 672 (Fall) and SW 677 & SW 673 (Spring) must be taken concurrently.

+ Approved as a BETH course elective.

MSSW/Master of Science in Couple & Family Therapy (MSCFT) Dual Degree

A typical plan in the MSSW/MSCFT dual degree includes taking courses from both academic units each semester. The following is only an example of a Full-Time **2-year plan**. *Please contact the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for summer aid at 502-852-5511.*

First Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 601 HBSE I SW 604 SW Practice I* SW 610 Foundation CFT Practicum I* SW 700 Foundations of FT: Theory and Practice SW 701 FT Assessment^ SW 721 FT Supervision I *	SW 602 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies and Services SW 605 SW Practice II * SW 619 HBSE II SW 611 Foundation CFT Practicum II* SW 703 Contemporary Issues in CFT SW 722 FT Supervision II*	SW 603 Social Justice Practice SW 622 Issues in Policy and Service Delivery SW 626 Research Methodology & Design SW 723 FT Supervision III
Second Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 641 Social Justice Policy SW 668 Adv Research I SW 612 Adv CFT Practicum I** SW 702 Couple Therapy** SW 706 Foundations of Family Therapy: Theory and Practice II SW 724 FT Supervision IV**	SW 677 Advance SW Practice III** SW 642 Psychopathology SW 613 Adv CFT Practicum II** SW 704 Integrating FT SW 705 Prof Issues and Ethics in Social Work: CFT SW 725 FT Supervision V**	Graduate with MSCFT and MSSW in May Note: This program of study fulfills all degree requirements for the MSSW and the MSCFT <i>Upon Completion: Apply for Marriage and Family Therapy-Associate (Associate status of Licensure)</i>

*SW 604, SW 610 & SW 721 (Fall) and SW 605, SW 611 & SW 722 (Spring) must be taken simultaneously.

**SW 702, SW 612 & SW 724 (Fall) and SW 677, SW 613 & SW 725(Spring) must be taken simultaneously.

^SW 701 FT Assessment replaces SW640 Adv SW Practice II for CFT specialization students.

OPTIONAL: Although a Human Sexuality course is not required, any students planning to move out of state are encouraged to take Human Sexuality because it is required for LMFT and LCSW licensure by some states outside of Kentucky. Students are encouraged to look at LMFT licensure requirements for states to which they may move to decide whether it is in their best interest to also take a Human Sexuality course.

When applying to the Dual degree MSSW/MSCFT two-year plan, students should apply to the MSSW program and to the MSCFT program simultaneously.

Bold = required for MSCFT degree Underline = recommended option *Italicize* = second option

MSSW/Master of Science in Couple & Family Therapy (MSCFT) Dual Degree

A typical plan in the MSSW/MSCFT dual degree includes taking courses from both academic units each semester. The following is only an example of a Full-Time **3-year plan**. *Please contact the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for summer aid at 502-852-5511.*

First Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 601 HBSE I SW 602 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies and Services SW 603 Social Justice Practice	619 HBSE II 622 Issues in Policy and Service Delivery Optional SW 633 Human Sexuality	No courses
Second Year		
Fall	Spring	Summer
SW 604 SW Practice I* SW 610 Foundation CFT Practicum I* SW 700 Foundations of Family Therapy: Theory and Practice SW 701 FT Assessment[^] SW 721 FT Supervision I*	SW 605 SW Practice II* SW 626 Research Methodology and Design (or summer) SW 611 Foundation CFT Practicum II* SW 703 Contemporary Issues in CFT SW 722 FT Supervision II*	SW 626 Research Methodology & Design (or prior spring) SW 641 Social Justice Policy (or fall) SW 723 FT Supervision III
Third Year		
Fall	Spring	
<u>SW 641 Social Justice Policy (or summer)</u> SW 668 Adv Research I SW 612 Adv CFT Practicum I** SW 702 Couple Therapy** SW 706 Foundations of Family Therapy: Theory and Practice II SW 724 FT Supervision IV**	SW 677 Adv SW Practice III** SW 642 Psychopathology SW 613 Adv CFT Practicum II** SW 704 Integrating FT SW 705 Prof Issues & Ethics in CFT SW 725 FT Supervision V**	<i>Graduate with MSCFT and MSSW in May</i> <i>Note: This program of study fulfills all degree requirements for the MSSW and the MSCFT</i> Upon Completion: Apply for Marriage and Family Therapy-Associate (Associate status of Licensure)

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**SW 702, SW 612 & SW 724 (Fall) and SW 677, SW 613 & SW 725(Spring) must be taken simultaneously.

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If applying to the MSSW three-year plan, students may apply to the MSCFT degree simultaneously with the MSSW program (MSSW/CFT Dual degree) or they may wait until January of their first year to apply to the MSCFT program.

Bold = required for MSCFT degree Underline = recommended option *Italicize* = second option