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- School Social Work

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The Kent School of Social Work at the University of Louisville has been proudly educating social workers since 1936. Kent School seeks to prepare qualified social workers who practice from a strong professional value-base to serve the metropolitan mission of the University. In the context of a research institution, Kent School is committed to knowledge development that informs social work practice, recognizing the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration to solve complex social problems.

### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

## Advanced Standing (30 credit hour)

\*\*Specialized level courses only

The 30-credit hour program provides the proper credentials for career advancement and is designed for those who have earned a bachelor's degree in Social Work. Students can complete the program in as little as two semesters or tailor their academic path to meet their individual needs.

## To apply applicants need:

- Bachelor's degree in Social Work from a CSWE-accredited institution within the last 7 years.
- Official transcripts from all colleges/ universities attended . Preferred Social Work GPA of 3.25 or higher.
- Two letters of recommendation (one letter must be from a practicum representative, one should be from a BSW professor).
- Copy of the final/most recent practicum evaluation.

- Admissions essay.
- Additional Requirements apply for International Students.
- NO GRE REQUIRED.

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The 60-credit hour program provides the proper credentials for career advancement and is specifically designed for those who have earned a bachelor's degree in any area of study other than Social Work. Students can complete the program in as little as two years or tailor their academic path to meet their individual needs.

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#### **UofL ONLINE**

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# **HBCU CARDINAL EXPRESS TO SUCCESS**

The HBCU Cardinal Express to Success program is designed to increase the representation of advanced social work practitioners of color providing services within diverse communities. The program is developed to recruit, support, and graduate graduates from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) from Kent's MSSW Program.

Advanced Standing Program (30 credit hour)

- One letter of recommendation from a BSW professor
- Please refer to all other Advanced Standing (30 credit hour) requirements.

Regular Program (60 credit hour)

Please refer to Regular (60 credit hour) requirements.

#### For more information contact

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# **ACCREDITATION**

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The Kent School of Social Work's MSSW program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) Commission on Accreditation. and prepares students to meet the educational requirements for certification and licensure. For more information visit louisville.edu/kent/about/accreditation.